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Pitted against the elements: coal stockpiles at Sharlston colliery, Castleford, West Yorkshire, which is threatened by closure, hidden under a blanket of snow yesterday. Six inches of snow fell in the Highlands, Grampian and Tayside in Scotland, and the A93 Perth to Braemar road was closed at Glen Shee. Driver dies, page 2; Forecast, page 20

## Police hunt for £20,000 per killing hit men

BY CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT AND ANGELA MACKAY

POLICE unravelling the complex financial dealings of the murdered businessman Donald Urquhart were yesterday examining a theory that his killing was carried out by one of a team of contract assassins, believed to be responsible for up to five other murders in London.

They believe Mr Urquhart's killer may have been hired for about £20,000 to carry out the "hit". Contract killing appears to have become an established criminal career alongside that of armed robber and jury-rigger.

Mr Urquhart, 55, a millionaire property dealer, was murdered on Saturday as he walked along Marylebone High Street, central London, with his girl friend. A man wearing a white crash helmet and black leather jacket walked past them, turned and coolly shot Mr Urquhart three times, the last time in the back of the head as he lay on the floor. The killer pushed aside Mr Urquhart's Thai-born girl friend, Pat Iamspithone, 36, who tried to intervene after the first shot was fired.

Det Supt Bill Scholes, who is leading the hunt for Mr Urquhart's killer, said yesterday: "It is possible to hire a killer for a couple of hundred pounds, if you want a clumsy job, but this was different. This was an assassination that must have cost thousands of pounds. I recognise the hallmarks."

Police are now examining the similarities in the style of five murders and the professional way in which they have been carried out. Close quarters killing is common in Northern Ireland but has, until recently, rarely been seen in Britain.

Details of Mr Urquhart's colourful but apparently respectable career emerged from friends and former associates yesterday. Alan Davies, a business consultant who worked with him for four years, said he thought Mr Urquhart was worth about £2 million, not including his large stake in the Elstree Golf Club, where Mr Davies last saw him just hours before he was killed.

Mr Davies said: "He was 'Mr Elstree' although, strangely, he never played the course. However, he was here three to six days a week and interviewed every new applicant personally."

Mr Urquhart worked as a hod carrier on a building site in the Fifties before embarking on a successful career as a residential property developer. Close associates said Mr Urquhart made millions of pounds when he sold the bulk of his portfolio just before the 1973 property crash, although he always said he had "taken a bath" in the Seventies.

For the next eight years he dipped in and out of residential and commercial property deals and at one stage had a car dealership, but went "underground" in 1980 and became known as a retired wealthy investor. He was described as a "a lively dealer" and "a bit of a lad" but had a reputation for integrity in business.

Since 1989, Mr Urquhart's most public role had been as a key investor in 250-acre Elstree Golf Club in Hertfordshire where he was the second biggest shareholder after London Golf & Leisure, a Hong Kong-based company. Mr Urquhart was a member of the Royal Wentworth Golf Club in Surrey and played

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## Ulster fears over new Loyalist offensive

BY RICHARD FORD
HOME CORRESPONDENT

SECURITY forces in Northern Ireland fear that the Loyalists' new year offensive will escalate to involve car bombs and remote controlled devices against republican targets on both sides of the border.

As politicians and church leaders condemned the killing of a Roman Catholic father and his son by the outlawed Ulster Volunteer Force, a leading Unionist gave a warning that the Loyalist paramilitaries are preparing for one of their most bloody campaigns.

Peter Robinson, deputy leader of the Democratic Unionist party, said: "They have the capability of turning the volume up considerably." He said that the vibrations he had got were that the Loyalist paramilitaries were "preparing for one of their most serious offensives". Protestant paramilitaries killed more people than the IRA last year and now probably outnumbered Republican terrorists, he said.

There is mounting concern within the province over a threat by the Ulster Freedom Fighters (UFF) to extend its

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## Bosnia talks pull back from brink of collapse

FROM ROGER BOYES
IN GENEVA

**Bosnia's Muslim leader, taking a hard line at the Geneva peace talks, is demanding new guarantees to protect his people and threatening to step up the fighting if his conditions are not met**

THE Bosnia peace talks were rescued from the verge of collapse last night after an hour of intense negotiations by Lord Owen and Cyrus Vance prevented the Muslim delegation from walking out. All the parties will return to Geneva for further talks at the weekend, but officials said there were still serious differences to be overcome.

The conference ran into deep trouble yesterday as the Muslim-led Bosnian government issued an ultimatum to the rebel Serbs over the future shape of the Balkan state. Alija Izetbegovic, the Bosnian president, demanded that the Serbs agree to an independent sovereign state and put their heavy weapons under UN control as his price for continuing with the negotiations.

"I don't think there's any sense in coming back to this conference again unless these principles are upheld," he said. "If the conference fails, it will be because they [the Serbs] don't accept it. In that case, it will be a sign that they want the war to continue."

He also indicated that if there was no political settlement, the government would seek to liberate Sarajevo and other besieged cities by military means and if the West did not intervene, Muslim-led forces would find ways of getting arms.

Mr Izetbegovic is concerned that the plan drawn up by Mr Vance and Lord Owen for restoring Bosnia as a very decentralised sovereign state gives too little authority to the republic's central government. He has pointed out that under the present proposals, there is little to stop all the Serb provinces linking together and holding a referendum to declare themselves an integral part of Serbia — partition by stealth.

Lord Owen and Mr Vance have said that they will not allow Bosnia to be broken into ethnic states and have backed the government's insistence that some central powers should remain, but the Serbs are holding out for self-determination for ethnic groups. Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader, yesterday spent several hours in closed consultations with the co-chairmen at which he was said to have pressed that case.

While the Croatian delegation was reported last night to have agreed the mediators' propsals, the fundamental differences between the Serbs and the Muslims left the conference close to collapse. "We are an inch away from break-up," a Serb source said, and Fred Eckhard, the conference spokesman, said the talks were "at something of a crunch point. There are major questions unresolved. They have to be decided. This is definitely a cliffhanger".



Izetbegovic: two inviolable principles

The UN plan preserves Bosnia in its old frontiers, dividing it into ten self-governing provinces. The Serbs would be given about half of the republic — considerably more than its pre-war population would warrant, but still less than it holds now. Dr Karadzic therefore faces criticism from his military commanders who want him to press for more territory and a secure land corridor connecting the Serbs in the east and west of the republic the UN plan obliges the Serbs to surrender the strategic twon of Bosanski Brod to the Croats.

The Muslims are meanwhile divided over whether the peace process makes any sense at all at the moment. An adviser to the presidency said yesterday: "They imposed the war and now they are trying to impose on us the peace. It's too early for peace."

While the Serbs and Croats have captured more or less all they can by military means, the Muslims can still profit by fighting on. Their soldiers are grouping in the mountains to the south of Sarajevo ready for a counter-offensive and they harbour hopes that Islamic states will soon supply huge shipments of modern weaponry. The Islamic Conference Organisation has said that unless the UN can bring peace by January 15, it will consider arming the Bosnian Muslims — a move that could change the tide of the war.

Even Mr Izetbegovic, whose main aim is to secure maximum power for the central government of a future Bosnian state, sees some merit in continuing the war at least until the spring. The main aim would be to break the siege of Sarajevo, as it is important to the future credibility of the city that it is not liberated by an act of UN charity.

The Serbs would like to draw a Beirut-style green line through the suburbs, segmenting Sarajevo according to ethnic criteria — a move that would destroy the city as an administrative hub for the new republic.

During a break in the talks yesterday, Mr Izetbegovic made clear that the Muslims would fight on even if the conference failed and the West did not intervene. "We have our boys ready to fight for freedom and the survival of Bosnia-Herzegovina," he said. "We have enough of our boys ready to fight and they don't have weapons, but they'll get weapons in whichever way. We have to win because we are fighting for our survival."

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## December car sales rise by 30% to boost recovery hopes

BY KEVIN EASON, MOTORING CORRESPONDENT

SALES of new cars jumped by about 30 per cent last month to offer the government convincing evidence that the worst of the recession could be over.

The December surge was the biggest monthly increase of the year and could mark the most significant stage in the recuperation of the struggling motor industry. With some returns still to be counted, sales were 26 per cent ahead of December, 1991.

Figures due out on Thursday from the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, however, will show that buyers dashed to take advantage of big price cuts and plummeting interest rates. Society officials were last night confidently predicting that the final increase will be 30 per cent. They now must wait to see if the resurgence has solid foundations or whether December was a blip on their sales charts.

Manufacturers have been forced to cut prices to bring customers back into empty showrooms. The move, coupled with lower bank interest rates, has probably saved the industry from its fourth consecutive year of decline. The revival seems to have been driven mainly by Rover, which is understood to have achieved a big increase in its share of the market after several weeks of showroom incentives and clinching significant fleet deals for company cars. Even if incentives were the key to enticing customers back, car makers will be delighted. The removal of the 10 per cent special car tax and price cuts earlier this year were unable to stimulate the market into a similar increase.

Car sales are seen as one of the key barometers of the nation's economic health, providing a swift assessment of high street spending. While manufacturers are still not convinced that they are in for a dramatic recovery, December seems to point to better prospects this year.

Vauxhall said yesterday that it expected total industry sales to be about 1.59 million cars for last year, the same as in 1991. Executives believe that sales this year could reach 1.65 million, a welcome boost to an industry that has seen sales plummet from a record 2.3 million in 1989.

## Bulk of US troops to stay in Somalia

BY DAVID WATTS, DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

THE United States said yesterday that most of its troops would remain in Somalia beyond the end of this month. The announcement came as peace talks chaired by Boutros Boutros Ghali, the UN secretary-general, got under way in Addis Ababa.

French reports had earlier suggested that the US would begin its handover to UN troops in Somalia on January 20, when President Bush leaves office. But Richard Cheney, the US defence secretary, said Somalia was still a "nasty, dangerous neighbourhood".

The murder in Kismayu of Sean Devereux, the British Unicef aid worker, had shown that there was still "a lot of work to be done", Mr Cheney said. Some US troops would be "re-deployed" at the end of this month, but "by no means a large number . . . it will be a beginning".

Dr Boutros Ghali's tour of Africa was dogged again by protests yesterday in Addis Ababa. Ethiopian soldiers shot and killed a demonstrator and injured many others when about 1,000 youths, protesting against UN policy on the breakaway region of Eritrea, tried to march on the Africa Hall venue of the Somalia talks to oppose Dr Boutros Ghali's planned visit to Eritrea tomorrow. Witnesses said at least seven died.

US forces in Somalia began investigating the killing of Mr Devereux and the discovery of 17 corpses in Kismayu.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

## Snow and ice claim motorist's life

The icy conditions that brought snow to parts of Britain yesterday have been replaced by milder fronts bringing wind and rain. One driver died and several others were injured in a spate of accidents as vehicles skidded in the ice and snow and motorists ignored speed restrictions in thick fog.

Six inches of snow fell in parts of the Highlands, Grampian and Tayside in Scotland, and the A93 Perth to Braemar road was closed at Glen Shee. However, keen skiers braved the roads to take to the slopes on the Scottish bank holiday. Snow also fell in the north of England, the Midlands and parts of East Anglia. Weather, page 20

## Car theft ring broken

Cars were sold in Pakistan before being reported stolen in Britain, Teesside Crown Court was told yesterday. Detectives found a video film of a convoy on the trip. Mohammed Khan, 24, of Middlesbrough, who admitted stealing a car and attempting to get an insurance payout by deception, was ordered to pay £3,600 compensation and to do 180 hours' community service. Rajam Khan, 35, of Middlesbrough, admitted handling a stolen car and was fined £300.

## Milk marketers go

More than half the staff at the Milk Marketing Board headquarters are to be made redundant as the 60-year-old statutory body becomes a voluntary dairy farmers' co-operative known as Milk Marque. Staff at Thames Ditton, Surrey, are to be cut from 560 to 230 in the next 15 months, and dairy farmers will be able to sell direct to the public.

## Fears for businessman

Police are hunting for a businessman who has vanished from his farmhouse near High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire. David Martin, 50, was last seen on Tuesday last week. A friend raised the alarm when Mr Martin failed to answer her telephone calls. Lights had been left on in the house, his car was missing and police found blood on the garage floor.

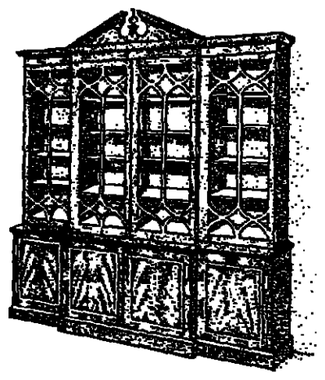
## Wife on murder charge

A woman stabbed her husband to death in front of their two children on New Year's day. Huddersfield magistrates were told yesterday. Tracy Anne Campbell, 21, was remanded on bail until February 15 charged with the murder of her husband James at their home in Huddersfield. The court was told that Mr Campbell had earlier attacked his wife.

## Policeman questioned

Detectives were questioning a police seargeant last night after his wife's body was found in a stream at the scene of what appeared to be a road crash near Hawarden, Clwyd. A spokeswoman for North Wales police said that the death was being treated as murder. The 37-year-old mother of two and her husband have not yet been named.

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Winding down: GMTV presenter Fiona Armstrong, right, and Lis Howell, director of programmes, after the station's first Monday morning show

# ITV companies deny trying to preserve a production cartel

BY SUSAN GILCHRIST

THE 15 ITV companies and the Independent Television Commission have asked the Monopolies and Mergers Commission to reject a report by the Office of Fair Trading that claims independent programme makers are given an unfair deal.

The OFT last month called for changes to the third channel's network arrangements. It wants independent programme makers to be able to secure contracts with the new central scheduler, who oversees the running of the channel, rather than with individual ITV companies.

The OFT also wants the period for which ITV companies are allowed to hold all rights to independently produced programmes cut from ten years to five. That would create a more powerful independent sector and weaken ITV at a time when some companies have paid high prices for their franchises.

Nigel Walmsley, managing director of Carlton Television, which took over the Thames franchise last week, said: "The OFT's view is based on a fundamental misunderstanding of the process of making and scheduling television programmes."

His view is echoed by the ITC, which is preparing fresh submissions for the monopolies commission. "There are several things in the Director General's report which we could not see ourselves enacting for regulatory reasons," it said. "We could not allow independent programme makers to have contracts with the central scheduler because he is not legally responsible for the programmes that go out."

The ITC also objects to the OFT's suggestion that ITV should hold the rights to independently produced programmes for only five years. The BBC, Channel 4 and satellite stations can hold such rights in perpetuity.

Greg Dyke, chief executive of London Weekend Television, believes the OFT proposals could spell the end of regional production. "The independent sector is almost entirely based in London and on the basis of this report need never move out of the Groucho Club."

But Michael Pilsworth, director of UK operations for SelecTV, an independent producer, disagrees. "Today's events serve only to remind me of Margaret Thatcher's words that ITV is the last bastion of restrictive practices. They are trying to preserve a cartel."

Mr Pilsworth, who has produced programmes such as *Lovejoy* and *Birds of a Feather*, believes that the OFT's modifications are fair and workable. "The ITV's proposals make no sense. Six out of ten shows don't work, so why do they want to lock up failed shows for ten years."

The commission is inviting all parties to submit evidence by January 22.

# Mental health law change contested

BY JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

VIRGINIA Bottomley, the health secretary, faces a split among mental health organisations over the need for a change in the law to prevent mentally ill patients from refusing treatment after being discharged from hospital.

The divisions emerged as a stream of psychiatrists, lawyers and representatives of pressure groups for the mentally ill were called to visit Mrs Bottomley yesterday afternoon after she announced a review of the 1983 Mental Health Act. They included the Royal College of Psychiatrists, Mind, and Sane, the group for people suffering from schizophrenia and their families.

Pressure groups for the mentally ill say that the trend to allow patients greater freedom to control their treatment following the 1983 act has resulted in patients being left to "rot with their rights on".

However, Mrs Bottomley, a former psychiatric social worker who was clearly moved by the case of Ben Silcock, the young man with schizophrenia who was mauled by a lion at London zoo, after jumping into its enclosure, appeared to modify her remarks made on Sunday about the need for compulsory treatment of patients in the community.

Interviewed on Radio 4's *Today* programme yesterday, she said she was looking at community supervision orders, a less draconian provision which will be recommended by a working party of the Royal College of Psychiatrists in a report this month. This would provide powers to return a patient who was not complying with treatment to hospital.

Psychiatrists acknowledged yesterday that the supervision order would apply only to a few hundred patients who had been discharged after being compulsorily detained in hospital and were refusing treatment.

However, the Mental Health Act Commission, which monitors the working of the 1983 act, said in a statement that there was insufficient evidence that a new legal power would help patients, and warned that it might "distract attention from a number of fundamental difficulties" relating to professional attitudes and the way services are organised.

## EC hotline yields a singular response

FROM TOM WALKER IN BRUSSELS

ALL was calm in the single market yesterday, as only 30 of the 340 million Europeans supposedly benefiting from the brave new Europe rang the special Brussels hotline dealing with complaints about barriers that should have come down but which stubbornly remain.

What complaints there were clearly showed that customs officials are reluctant to watch travellers pass border posts unhindered. "It's early days yet but there are obviously still problems," said Tony Venables, director of the Brussels lobby group Euro Citizen Action Service (Ecas), which has seven staff manning the hotline.

Among yesterday's callers was a Spanish woman who put her car on board a sleeper train from Madrid to Paris on January 1, only for Spanish border guards to insist that she filled in forms detailing the car's contents.

An Italian calling from Greece said border guards had told him he would have to leave the country after three months to re-register his car.

Numerous problems were reported from Gibraltar, where the sovereignty dispute between Spain and Britain has resulted in rigorous checks remaining in force. Several travellers phoned to complain about passport checks in Hull and Dover, and an Irishman complained about having paid value-added tax twice on a new car, once in England (£4,000), where he bought it, and once on arriving home (£3,000). Passports were still being checked against computer records at Brussels airport.

Mr Venables said one possible pattern emerging was that fewer problems were being experienced by the hordes of Britons storming Calais hypermarkets than by cross-border travellers in southern Europe.

The Ecas hotline will operate until the end of the week, after which the lobby group will collate the complaints and present them to the Commission. The dossier could be used in a European Court case against Brussels or individual EC governments.

Ecas's number is Brussels (international code 010 32-2) 534 8325. A fax number is also available: 534 5275. Single market problems can also be sent to: Ecas, Rue Defacqz 1, 1050 Brussels, Belgium.

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# Two murders herald new terror campaign

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campaign of violence against a pan-Nationalist front including the Social Democratic and Labour Party and the Irish government as well as the IRA and members of its political wing Sinn Fein.

But the development with potentially far-reaching consequences will be if the Loyalists perfect mechanisms to detonate bombs so that they can plant devices south of the border or in nationalist areas of Northern Ireland.

Yesterday Sir Patrick Mayhew, Northern Ireland secretary, said on BBC Radio Ulster that he would not be surprised if Loyalist paramilitaries already had access to explosives.

Last December the UFF gave a hint of their intentions when, following a series of fire-bombings in the Irish republic, they said that 1993 would go with a bang.

Three days ago the Ulster Defence Association threatened to increase its violence "to a ferocity never imagined", sparking concern in the province that Loyalist and Republican groups would try to match each other's violence.

Patrick Shields, 51, and his son Diarmuid, 20, both Roman Catholics, became the first victims of violence in Northern Ireland this year when they were shot dead by Ulster Volunteer Force gunmen on Sunday night.

They were killed when the gunmen burst into their store and home at Lisnagleer near Dungannon, Co Tyrone. Another son Davog, aged 24, was shot in the chest. He was "stable" in hospital after surgery. Both sons were shot in a downstairs room, their father as he slept in bed. The UVF later said it carried out the attack, claiming that Mr Shields was a member of Sinn Fein. His family denied it.



Patrick Shields: shot in bed at his home

# MacGregor restates support for BR sale

BY NICHOLAS WOOD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN MacGregor, the transport secretary, reaffirmed his commitment to the privatisation of British Rail yesterday as his department began an enquiry into claims that some BR managers were trying to sabotage the government's plans.

Amid mounting evidence of a rift between the government and BR's senior management over the proposals, Mr MacGregor instructed his staff to investigate claims that the nationalised industry was scrapping hundreds of serviceable trains rather than having to sell them to commercial rivals in the near future.

On the day that rail fares rose by an average of nearly 10 per cent, Mr MacGregor signalled his determination to press ahead with his plan to "commercialise" the railway network.

Announcements about the first lines to be offered to private sector operators may be brought forward if legislation paving the way for the publication of the rail privatisation bill is held up in the Lords. With Robert Adley, the Conservative chairman of the all-party Commons transport select committee, denouncing the government scheme as a "poll tax on wheels", unease is spreading on the Tory benches. But Mr MacGregor, in a speech in his Diss, Norfolk constituency, said that criticisms of the proposals were based on misunderstandings.

Mr MacGregor denied that the government was selling passenger services, curtailing subsidies or abandoning the advantages of through-ticketing. "What we are aiming to do through franchising of passenger services is to inject into the railways more private-sector skills and resources — to put the customer first and develop a better service," he said. Socially necessary lines would continue to receive subsidies and safety would be given a high priority.

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# Customs gains first woman chairman

BY ROBERT MORGAN, POLITICAL STAFF

THE prime minister yesterday further fulfilled his pledge to put more women in top jobs with the appointment of Valerie Strachan as the first woman chairman of the Board of Customs and Excise from April.

Mrs Strachan, 52, succeeds Sir Brian Unwin, who is to become president of the European Investment Bank (EIB).

Mrs Strachan, who was educated at Newland High School, Hull, and Manchester University, joined Customs in 1961 and rose through the ranks to the post of deputy chairman in 1987.



Strachan: met "slight" prejudice from men

She is one of very few women to have reached the higher echelons of the public service and confesses to having met "slight" prejudice from men during her rise. A mother of two, she believes that if women take too much time off when having children they "miss the chances to accumulate the gold stars and brownie points".

Sir Brian, appointed by the finance ministers of the 12 European Community members, succeeds Ernst-Günter Bröder, who retires at the end of March.

Sir Brian, who is 57 and a father of three, has been chairman of Customs and Excise since 1987, having been a senior official in the Cabinet Office and the Treasury when he was also a director of the European Investment Bank. He was educated at Chesterfield School and New College, Oxford, and Yale. After eight years with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, he joined the Treasury in 1968.

# Lamont shrugs off companies' vote of no confidence

BY NICHOLAS WOOD
POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

NORMAN Lamont suffered a new blow yesterday when the leaders of Britain's biggest companies said that he was not the right man to run the economy.

By a margin of more than two to one, the business leaders indicated that they had lost confidence in the Chancellor of the Exchequer in the light of the economic upheavals of the past few months.

Half of those responding to the survey, conducted by the BBC Radio 4's *Today* programme, said that they did not believe that the government had a coherent economic strategy. This figure will disappoint Mr Lamont after his strenuous efforts to fill the void left by the pound's departure from the European exchange-rate mechanism.

However, Mr Lamont, who has begun work on the Budget after being told by the prime minister that he is safe in his job, brushed aside the criticism. Senior Treasury officials said that whatever businessmen might be saying about the chancellor, their actions suggested that they were becoming more confident about prospects for recovery.

Pointing to the stock market revival of recent weeks and increased retail sales, one aide said: "How people react to policies and where they are putting their money is actually more important than general remarks in surveys."

The poll, answered before Christmas by 29 of the chairmen of the country's 40 biggest companies, judged by stock market capitalisation, suggests that Mr Lamont and John Major still have much to do to recover the backing of traditional boardroom allies. Household names such as Glaxo, BP, BT, British Gas, GEC and Marks & Spencer were among the companies approached.

Asked whether Mr Lamont should stay on as chancellor, 17 companies said that he should go, seven said that he should stay and five declined to comment. However, the chancellor seems almost certain to survive this latest tilt at his authority. Before Christmas, Mr Major ruled out an early cabinet reshuffle, making plain that Mr Lamont would deliver the March budget.

One encouraging sign for Mr Lamont is that most company chairmen share his reluctance to make a further cut in interest rates. Mr Lamont has said that he will consider more reductions only if the economy fails to perform in line with the Treasury forecast of 1 per cent growth this year. Eighteen firms said that there should be no immediate change in loan rates, while 11 wanted cuts of up to two percentage points. These findings are in marked contrast to the views of Mr Lamont's new seven-strong team of independent advisers, six of whom want further cuts.

Most of the companies thought that sterling was at about the right level against the German mark, and the official forecast of 1 per cent growth also commanded a fair degree of assent. Twelve companies thought that the prediction would prove accurate, ten that the economy would perform less well and seven that it would grow more strongly.

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Police to protect Moss Side informers

# Late-night caller had details of teenager shot in takeaway shop

By Ronald Faux

**A young and more ruthless generation of drug dealers could hold the key to the killing in coldblood of 14-year-old Benjie Stanley in Manchester's notorious Moss Side**

DETECTIVES hunting the gunman who killed 14-year-old John Stanley, known to his friends as Benjie, in Moss Side, Manchester, have appealed to a woman who contacted them after the murder on Saturday night to come forward.

Detective Chief Superintendent Ron Astles, who is leading the enquiry, said the woman telephoned shortly after 10pm with sufficient information to suggest she knew the personalities involved and had close knowledge of the incident.

Mr Astles said police protection would be given to anyone coming forward with information about the murder of Benjie, whom they believe was singled out by his killer. Mr Astles said the boy had been shot three times in the leg, face and fatally through the chest. He later died in hospital. One shot was at close range which made it unlikely the murder was a case of mistaken identity. Benjie was not known to the police and there was nothing to suggest he was involved with drugs or guns.

"There was no apparent motive. I am open-minded about linking it in some unknown way," he said.

Benjie was queuing for dumplings in a takeaway shop in Great Western Street when the gunman, believed to be black and wearing a combat jacket and balaclava, walked into the shop and opened fire with a shotgun.

Neville "Tito" Gunning, aged 15, who was with Benjie in the queue, was in hospital yesterday suffering shock and wounds from shotgun pellets. Karen Gunning, his mother, said her son had been too scared to look up when the masked gunman burst into the shop.

The callous manner of Benjie's murder and the age of its victim has again concentrated police and public attention on Moss Side, where drug trafficking underscored by violence is common. Police raids on the gangs have led to 40 arrests and charges ranging from abduction to attempted murder, possession of firearms with criminal intent, drug dealing and rape. Shotguns, hand weapons and an assortment of knives have been seized.

Even so, more than 100 shooting incidents in the area have been reported to police since August, 40 of them confirmed. In the past year seven people have died in shooting incidents and officers from the Manchester drug squad have been to Miami to study American methods of dealing with drug gangs in the hope of learning techniques that can be applied in Moss Side.

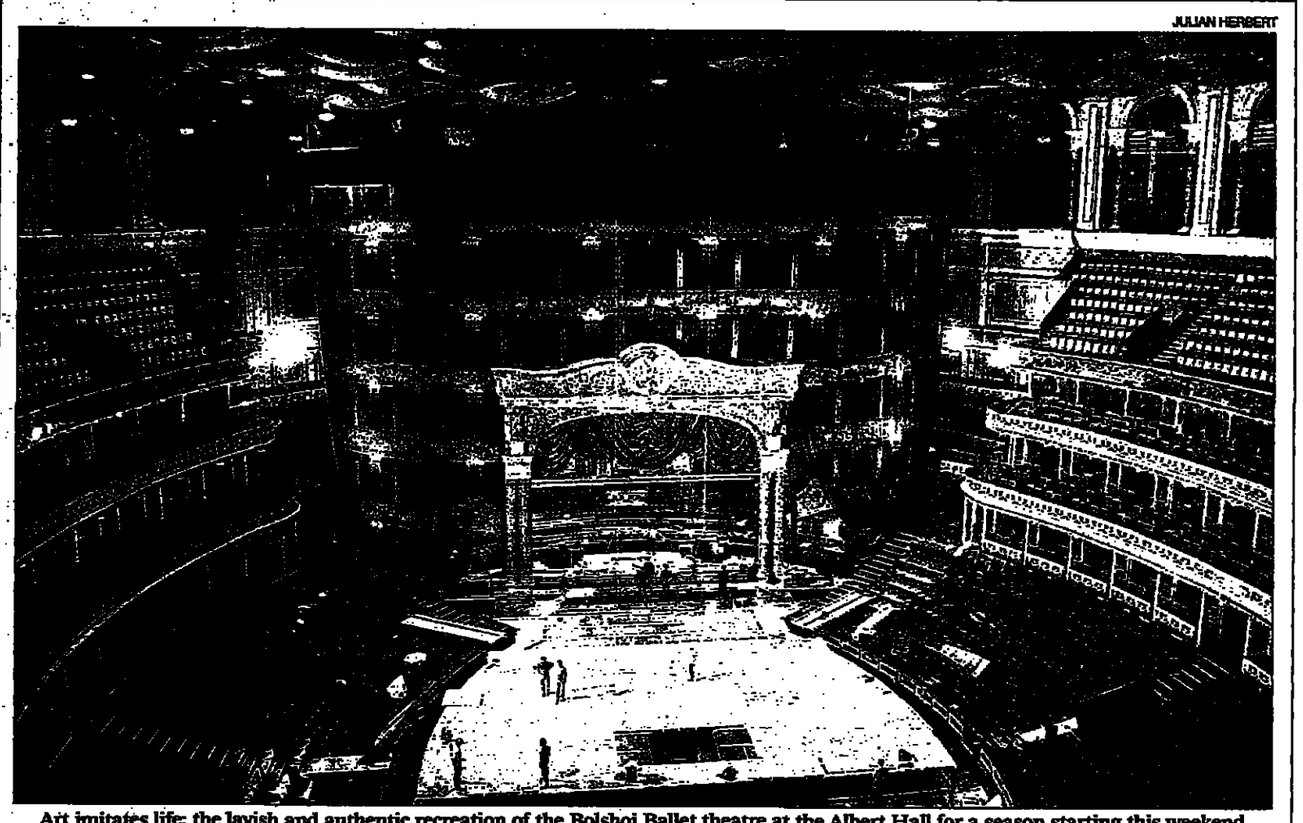
Manchester police believe the removal of some of the main players in the Moss Side drug scene has opened the way to a young, more ruthless generation of drug dealers in a district already blighted by neglect, dereliction and high unemployment.

The Bishop of Hulme, the Right Rev Colin Scott whose area covers Moss Side, blamed the lack of jobs and the delapidated housing for the spread of violent crime. "It has become a market place for drugs. Most of the customers and the suppliers come from outside the estate, but I am bound to say many of the pushers are from Moss Side itself."

Mr Astles said that the publicity given to the murder and the reaction of the community to the gunning down of a 14-year-old boy had produced a better than normal response from the public. While there might be some "bizarre" connection between Benjie's murder and the Moss Side traffic in drugs and firearms, "there is nothing to suggest he was involved at all. He is an innocent victim of the indiscriminate use of firearms and my heart goes out to any family that has to suffer that sort of loss".

Denise Stanley, who adopted Benjie when he was 22 months old, was distraught at the loss of a son known in Moss Side as a pleasant and polite lad. His school photograph has been put in the window of the dumpling shop. Under it Mrs Stanley has written: "Please find my son's murderer," an appeal that police hope will break down the traditional reluctance of Moss Siders to inform.

JULIAN HERBERT



Art imitates life: the lavish and authentic recreation of the Bolshoi Ballet theatre at the Albert Hall for a season starting this weekend

# Bolshoi Ballet calls the tune at Albert Hall

By Alison Roberts, arts reporter



The real thing: a packed house at the Bolshoi Ballet in Moscow

THE Albert Hall has undergone spectacular refurbishment in preparation for a season of performances by the Bolshoi Ballet, Russia's most celebrated artistic company.

An opulent 70ft-long, 125ft-wide tableau, reproducing the interior of the company's theatre in Moscow, has been hung from a specially constructed steel structure in the roof. It blocks off half the hall, turning an auditorium into a theatre.

The magnificence of the tsar's box in the proscenium arch has been simulated in reds and golds. Crimson drapes hang alongside glittering pillars. A raked stage, the largest dance floor in Europe, extending 45ft into the hall, has been built to specifications of the Bolshoi Ballet theatre.

As the new year began, and a pop concert ended, the Albert Hall's auditorium was filled with technicians and stage crew ready to begin the transformation.

The lighting technology will be similar to that of a rock concert. Chris Vaughan, the production manager, said that three ballets a day involved technical changes that only computerised systems could provide.

The conversion has not been without problems, however. Three trucks containing huge sets were held up on the border between Poland and Belorussia and pelted with stones. Neither the Polish embassy in London nor the British embassy in Warsaw could ease the passage, and the trucks were turned back. Specially chartered aircraft eventually brought the scenery to England.

The season runs from Saturday to February 14. The entire company of 160 dancers, including all the star principals, will perform 13 classic ballets, including *Swan Lake*, *The Nutcracker* and *Giselle*.

All the works have been specially staged for their London run by Yuri Grigorovich, the company's artistic director and chief choreographer.

# Burnt body at picnic site is identified

By Ray Clancy

THE husband of a woman whose badly beaten and partly burnt body was found dumped in a woodland car park was being questioned by police last night.

Angela Stewart, 25, of Wrecclesham, Surrey, was found wrapped in a plastic sheet by a couple walking at the Abbotts Wood enclosure of Alice Holt Forest on the Hampshire-Surrey border a few hours after she had been reported missing.

Ben Stewart, her husband, told police that, in the early hours of Sunday, she had gone for a walk because she could not sleep and had not returned. Surrey police searched but found nothing.

A few hours later, just across the county border, the body was found on scorched grass next to a toilet block. Police said that a post mortem examination showed that Mrs Stewart died from head injuries and her body had been doused in fuel and set alight. She was naked but there were no signs of a sexual assault.

The couple moved to the area a few months ago and have a daughter, aged two.



Angela Stewart: doused with fuel and burned

# Account closed 'for being too small'

By Peter Victor

A YOUNG mother has claimed a manager at Barclays Bank closed her account because there wasn't enough money in it, even though she had never been overdrawn.

Jayne Versey, 23, was sent a cheque for the balance of her account — £29.67 — with a compliments slip saying it was closed. When she asked why, she said she was told by Barclays that "it was not worthwhile keeping it open".

Mrs Versey, the mother of a five-month-old daughter, said: "A woman rang and said the account was closed because it wasn't worthwhile keeping open. I only ever kept small amounts of about £30 in there to pay standing orders. I was very upset. There have never been any problems with my account." She still banks with Barclays after her husband added her name to his account.

A spokesman for Barclays Bank said it was not policy to close accounts because there was not enough money in them. Accounts would be closed, however, if they were troublesome, perhaps if cheques or standing orders bounced.

"We would normally send a customer a letter warning them their account would be closed, giving them time to make alternative arrangements. But it appears there was an oversight in her case and we apologise for that."

# Bank man stole cash bound for incinerator

By Kate Alderson

A MAN who was paid £1,200 to £1,500 a month by the Bank of England to destroy old banknotes in an incinerator fell victim to temptation and stole £170,000 of them.

Kevin Winwright, 34, of Writtle, near Chelmsford, Essex, put down a £45,000 deposit on a new home, had a £6,700 holiday in the Seychelles with his wife, bought a Land-Rover, spent thousands of pounds on home improvements, and treated friends to a holiday in Blackpool.

Harrow Crown Court yesterday jailed Winwright for a total of four and a half years after he admitted three charges of theft from the Bank of England note destruction depot in Loughton, Essex.

Gordon Pringle, for the defence, said the scale of Winwright's theft would "rock public confidence" in the Bank of England. From September 1990 to May 1992, Winwright smuggled the old notes out of the depot in rubbish bags which he transferred into a sports bag in his car. He hid the notes in his wardrobe and later put the money in a building society account.

The court was told that Winwright was assisted by an unnamed colleague. Mr Pringle said Winwright had already "named names", allowing the bank to pursue civil proceedings against other employees and implement reforms to remove the potential for security breaches.

# Corporal denies fire cover-up

AN RAF corporal was seen laughing as the parachute store where he served went up in a blaze that caused £19 million of damage, a court was told yesterday.

Senior Aircraftman Douglas Bailey, 26, had set fire to the parachute services unit, an RAF installation at Hullavington, Wiltshire, on January 3 last year. Geoffrey Still, for the prosecution, told Swindon Crown Court that Bailey and Corporal Stephen Paterson, 30, were seen by witnesses on a green later.

Cpl Paterson claimed he went into the locked hangar earlier that day after Bailey kicked in a window. But he got "cold feet" about a second visit in which Bailey set alight the hangar.

Mr Still claimed that Bailey cut his thumb in leaving through a smashed window. He said that Cpl Paterson became involved in a cover-up by arranging for Bailey to wash bloodstains from his clothes and telling investigating officers the cut was caused by broken glass in his kitchen.

Cpl Paterson, who lives at the married quarters at Anson Place on the RAF station, denies a charge of assisting Bailey, knowing he had committed arson. Bailey, who also lives at the married quarters, has admitted arson. The trial was adjourned until today.

# Police hunt team of contract killers

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off a handicap of 12. Elstree made profits of £20,000 in 1990 compared with a loss of £213,000 in the previous year. The club's other directors are Robert Davies of Dorking, Surrey and Eric Simpson, the former manager of the Geneva branch of the Israeli bank, Discount Bank and Trust Co. Mr Simpson, who still lives in Switzerland, said he had no knowledge of his directorship.

One of Mr Urquhart's companies, Bellgap Ltd, has been paid more than £100,000 by Elstree for maintenance services over two years. Bellgap, described at Companies House as a property consultancy, has lost more than £50,000 in the past two years.

Mr Davies said Mr Urquhart had been a single-minded businessman who was devoted to the club. Mr Davies said: "He was a very chirpy man and I have absolutely no idea why anyone should want to kill him."

Detectives were also trying to trace Mr Urquhart's bank accounts in Jersey, the Cayman Islands and the Isle of Man. While they were not ruling out Mr Urquhart had been linked to drug and money-laundering operations, there was no evidence to support this theory.

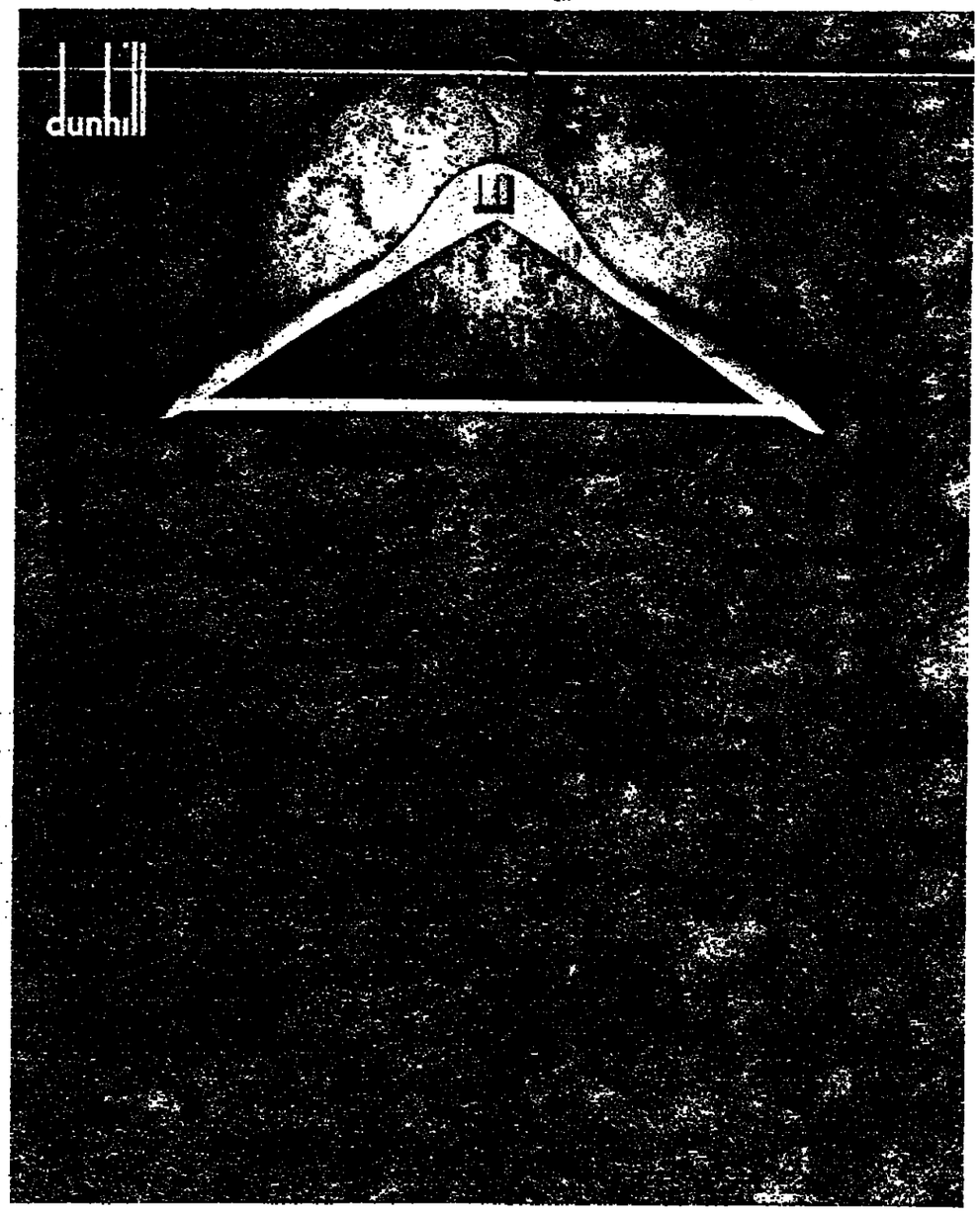
Mr Urquhart's distraught girlfriend, who tried to revive him after he was shot, was yesterday assisting detectives at Paddington Green police station. The couple lived in a flat in Nottingham Street yards from the murder scene.

The detectives also said they had made a major breakthrough when they found the motorbike used by the gunman. It was dumped in a dead-end street, Welbeck Way, in central London. A senior officer said: "It is a very big clue indeed and an important discovery. A call came from a man earlier today who said he spotted the bike and gave us an exact location.

Police first confirmed their fears of an organised team of hitmen a year ago. Victims who have been linked to the team include:

- Terry Gooderham, 39, a public house stocktaker, and his girlfriend Maxine Arnold, 31. They were found in Epping Forest just before Christmas three years ago.
- Lee Parsons, 42, a masseuse, who was also found in Epping Forest, had been shot three times with a crossbow.
- Brendan Carey, 47, a convicted armed robber, who was shot dead in a public house in Islington, north London, by two men in crash helmets in September 1990.

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## The Battle of Britain: historians at loggerheads over challenge to the image of a national icon

# Could Churchill have stopped the war?

**■ John Charmley's revisionist biography of Winston Churchill has shattered the scholarly consensus and broken taboos surrounding the legend of the man who led the nation through its finest hour**

BY MATTHEW D'ANCONA

NEVER has a work of historical revisionism upset so many in so short a time. In the space of three days, John Charmley's radical reappraisal of the life of Churchill and Alan Clark's article in *The Times* on Saturday have turned the history of the second world war into a battlefield and shattered the scholarly consensus on the war leader's achievements.

Dr Charmley's thesis, that the war might have been avoided and could certainly have been curtailed long before 1945, has already been strongly criticised by historians and MPs rallying to the Churchillian standard. On Saturday, Sir Nicholas Fairbairn, the Conservative MP for Perth and Kinross, called Mr Clark, the former defence minister, "a goon" whose review was "the most insulting piece of nonsense I have ever read".

Dr Charmley, who is in Fulton, Missouri, on leave from the University of East Anglia, said yesterday that the row over *Churchill: the End of Glory* illustrated the resilience of national mythology in the face of cogent historical argument — although his own views differed from those of Mr Clark.

"Alan goes a bit further than I would. I don't say that we should have made peace with Hitler. I'm not sure we should ever have done that. What was needed was better diplomacy. Churchill's obsession with Hitler, and his equation of Germany with Hitler, was a grave error. What he should have done after the invasion of Russia was make clear to Germany that the main obstacle to peace was Hitler."

Dr Charmley argues that the British peace lobby was particularly strong in the early summer of 1940 — including Dunkirk but before the fall of France on June 23 — and that Churchill himself openly contemplated a negotiated settlement with Hitler in cabinet on May 27. The following day the prime minister, who had been in office for less than a month, had to fight hard to persuade his colleagues that war remained a viable option.

Yet Hitler had shown time and again in the prelude to the invasion of Poland that his word was worthless, and by invading Prague in March 1939 convinced Churchill that his gut assessment of the Führer's intentions was essentially correct. In Dr Charmley's analysis, the best option open to the cabinet was to undermine Hitler's position by cultivating "non-ideological Nazis" such as Goering, just as it later cultivated Marshal Pietro Badoglio in Italy. Goering, who was eventually expelled from the Nazi party in April 1945, had lobbied actively for peace in October 1939 and evidence has recently come to light that he even wrote a valedictory letter to Churchill from Nuremberg.

According to the Charmley thesis, the greatest window of opportunity for peace was opened by the invasion of Russia in June 1941, which Hitler called a "march ... that, for its extent, compares with the greatest the world has ever seen". Already in control of Warsaw, Copenhagen, Oslo, The Hague, Brussels, Paris, Belgrade and Athens, ruling from the Arctic to the Mediterranean, he now committed 3,200,000 troops against Stalin's army in Operation Barbarossa, named after Hitler's imperial hero.

If Dr Charmley is right, Churchill should have exploited this moment to disengage slowly from the European theatre, maintaining a steady flow of arms to Russia without committing the West to further involvement in the bloody conflict between the two totalitarian powers. More contentiously, Dr Charmley suggests that Germany would have withdrawn from western Europe — "it was never a long-term German aim to remain there" — and Hitler's credibility would have been eroded by the battle in the east.

Mr Clark takes this revisionist thesis further still, arguing that there were clear opportunities for peace in July 1940, before the Battle of Britain, and in April 1941, by which time the Italians had been routed in North Africa. Only Churchill's obsession with Hitler and obeisance to the United States stood in the way of settlement. The cost, according to Mr Clark, was the loss of the Eastern empire, which might have been defended by the fleet and victorious Spitfires and, in the long term, the destruction of the British social order.

The Charmley-Clark axis has mounted the most vigorous attack to date on the Churchillian orthodoxy, and the literary industry controlled by the Winston Churchill Memorial Trust and epitomised by Martin Gilbert's magisterial eight million word official biography. Dr Charmley, who is only 37, regards himself as the first historian to approach the statesman's life without the cultural baggage of those who lived through the war. He has chosen his moment well: the prospective sale of Churchill's papers up to 1945, stored at Churchill College, Cambridge, has prompted a fierce scholarly row over the fate of the archive.

Like most revisionism, the reappraisal of Churchill contains the germ of a reinterpretation of much later history. Dr Charmley and Mr Clark agree that peace in 1941 would have saved much of the empire and yielded an entirely different social order in Britain. The Cold war — and the special relationship — might never have happened.

"Peace would have reinforced the position of the traditional ruling class and would not have allowed the egalitarian emphasis to develop," Dr Charmley said yesterday. "Churchill was defeated in 1945 by the extent to which he had allowed the Labour party to run the home front. The man in the street knew the names of Ernest Bevin, Herbert Morrison and Stafford Cripps, because Labour had been part of the war government." Rab Butler — who discussed the possibility of peace with the Swedish ambassador in London in June 1940 — would have been the natural successor to Churchill, committed to a patrician hierarchy, sweetened by Whiggish social reform.

Yet this view will strike many as speculative wishful thinking as much as a useful exercise. Dr Charmley's thesis relies on the fragility of the Führer's position in 1940-1. But the Hitler myth, which equated the fate of the Reich with the fate of its leader, was already well-established, launched by the Nuremberg rallies and Leni Riefenstahl's *Triumph of the Will* (1936). By 1941, the supposed window of opportunity, the Hitler Youth and the SS were the vicious heart of Hitler's personality cult.

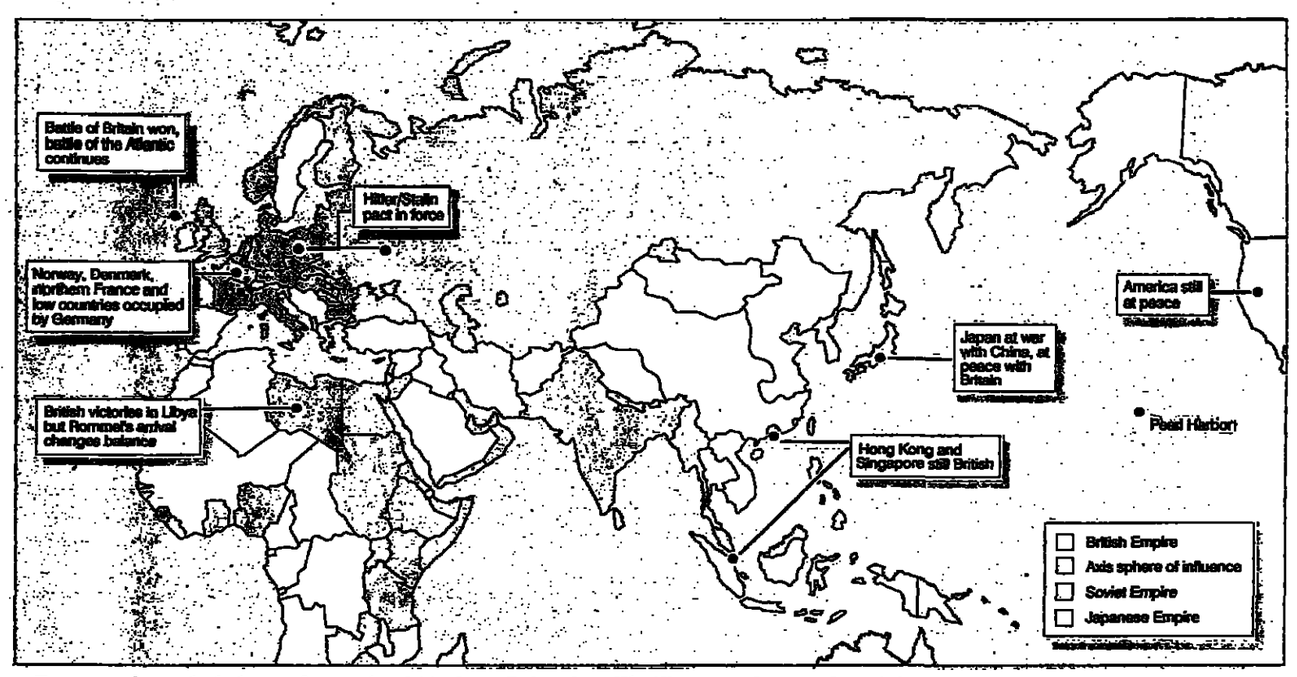
Britain might have kept out of the special relationship by reaching terms with Hitler in 1941 but would have effectively accepted the role of client state to Germany. And was Hitler, who described his visit to Napoleon's tomb in June 1940 as "the greatest and finest moment of my life", really so determined to get out of western Europe?

Correlli Barnett, keeper of the archives at Churchill College, said yesterday that Churchill would have been negotiating from a position of weakness, in spite of victory in the Battle of Britain. "Germany controlled most of Europe from Norway down to the Spanish coast. What sort of peace do you think that Hitler would have found acceptable? It's absurd to suggest that he could have been toppled or that there was a solid lobby in Germany to get rid of him." There was no reason to assume that the Final Solution would have been averted by peace in the summer of 1941, only a few months before the Wannsee conference initiated the Final Solution.

By 1941, in any case, Britain had become too dependent on the United States financially to make a brisk withdrawal from action: her overseas assets had been sold off and the dollar and gold reserves were exhausted. As the British ambassador to Washington put it, the nation was broke. Only "Lend-Lease", which enabled the American president to lease supplies to any country assisting the US war effort from spring 1941, held out any hope of keeping the nation afloat financially. The empire, in contrast, had become a financial liability and, as Enoch Powell put it in a letter to *The Daily Telegraph* yesterday, its decline had more to do with destiny than will.

The case against Charmley remains powerful. Nonetheless, he has succeeded in wrenching what he calls the "warm blanket" of the Churchill myth from the nation and ending a taboo which has lasted almost half a century. Two years ago the Churchill trustees complained that "the average British citizen is less and less aware of Sir Winston Churchill". Now, the Lion of Chartwell has returned to the public domain — though scarcely in the manner they would have wished.

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Fortunes of war: the balance of power in 1941, above. Below, how *The Times saw* the war of words in 1940, the year Churchill came to power



Hitler: an "obsession" for the prime minister



Stalin: the West's best hope of early peace

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**LORD HALIFAX TO BROADCAST**

## Robert Rhodes James defends the spirit of 1940

# Leader who galvanised the British into a nation of do-or-die warriors

I HAVE the dubious distinction of being the first "revisionist" biographer of Sir Winston Churchill. In 1970, I published a study of his life and career up to 1939 under the title *A Study in Failure*, which was widely assumed to be the awaited denigration of what had become a kind of national god, and was duly excoriated by those who had only read the deliberately ironical title.

Those who actually read the book, including members of the Churchill family, realised that it was the first attempt to view Churchill as a fascinating, brilliant, flawed and fallible human being. Churchill's egotistical sense of his destiny has been mocked by many, *but never by me.*

What I was attempting to do was to answer a question that had long puzzled me. Why was it that by the spring of 1939 Churchill had only two Conservative supporters in the House of Commons, had been out of office for ten years, was almost universally distrusted and even hated, and then became, in May 1940, the national leader who galvanised the British into a nation of do-or-die warriors.

I was seven in 1940. I vividly remember the spirit, almost amounting to exhilaration, and the electrifying impact of Churchill's speeches. Leaderless for so long, we knew that at long last we had a leader. The Battle of Britain was the first defeat suffered by the all-conquering Germans.

The brouhaha concerning John Charmley's new biography of Churchill has concentrated on whether, after the fall of France, we should have parleyed with Hitler and come to terms which would have been, in Alan Clark's opinion, "excellent". Charmley's essential thesis is that Churchill, resolved to persevere, destroyed our independence, our prosperity and eventually the empire, by handing over our destinies to the Americans.

*It would have been surpris-*



Brilliant but fallible: Churchill, the man of destiny

ing if, after Dunkirk, ministers and their military advisers had not looked hard at the situation they now confronted. As we now know, things were far worse than anyone outside the inner circle of government then realised. Nor were those who considered the option of negotiation defeatists or budding Pétainists.

But the military situation, although dire, was not desperate. Clark considers that a German invasion in 1940 would have succeeded. This was certainly not the view of the German high command, and although the Norway campaign had been a disaster militarily, it had demonstrated the clear imbalance in numbers, quality and morale between the Royal Navy and the German surface fleet.

There were ministers who still thought that Hitler was a reasonable man with whom they could do business. But, and here Clark's analysis is clearly wrong, the Conservative party, the House of Commons, and the British people would not have stood for it. Churchill's assessment of Hitler may have been intuitive, but it was right.

The Chamberlain government had been ejected by a Commons that was for once absolutely representative of a mood of national revulsion against politicians who could neither keep us out of war nor wage it. Churchill's political position was such that he had had to keep on many — too many, it was felt — of the Men of Munich in his government. But he had also acquired men from all parties who were resolute. In terms of domestic British politics a negotiated peace, which would have been on abject terms, was impossible. We had had enough of humiliations, and the hatred of Hitler was intense.

Where Charmley is right is that it was Churchill's spirit and his almost mystical faith in the indomitable British people that was decisive. Charmley calls this "sentimental"; but it went far deeper. It was one of the few occasions in Churchill's career when he was at one with the bulk of British opinion.

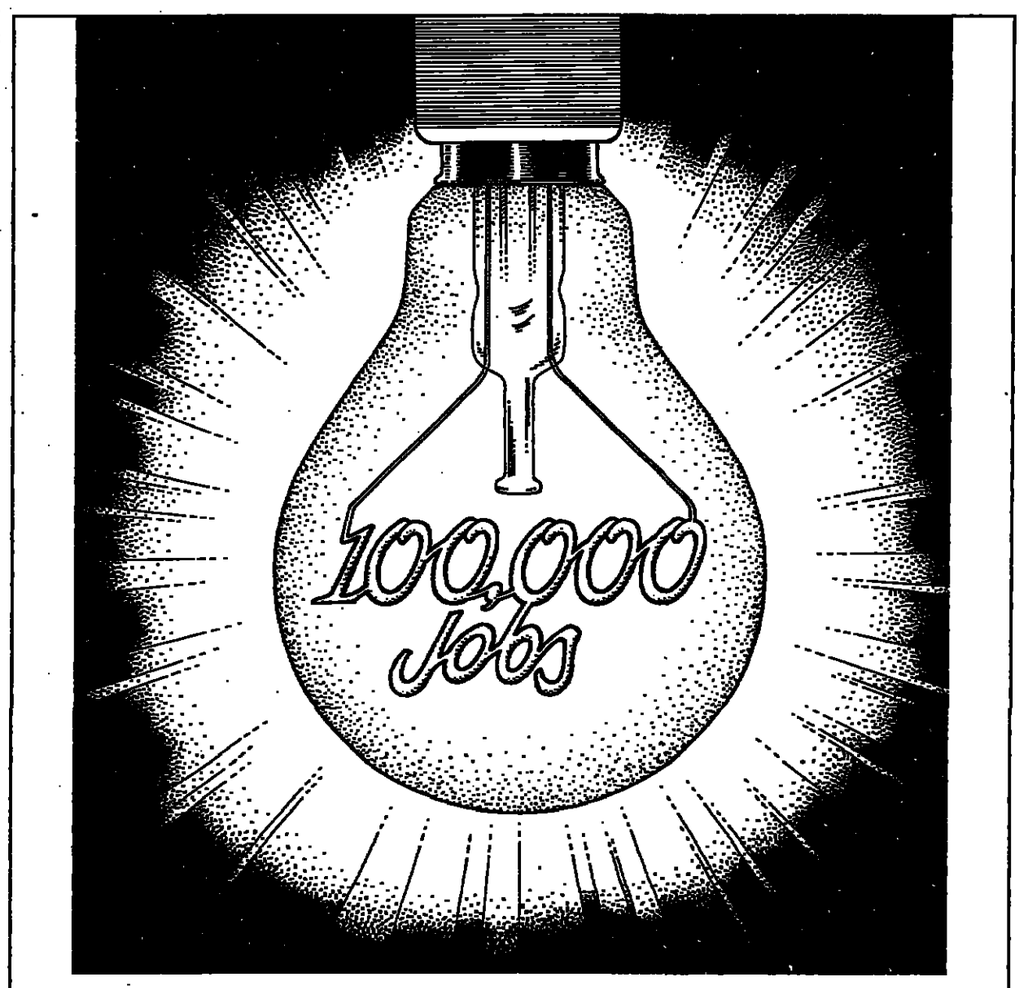
Charmley's portrait of Britain in 1945 is a dismal one. Our wealth gone, the empire "on the skids", the Americans preparing to go home, the Soviet Union dominant in Europe, the future without hope. The clear implication is that the whole thing had been a ghastly mistake, all the sacrifices for nothing.

Things looked very different to us in 1945. Of all the European belligerents, we had not been invaded or occupied. Our armed forces had been victorious in every area of conflict. Our reputation was at its zenith. How we threw all this away is another story.

The most extraordinary aspect of Charmley's account of the war is that Churchill is censured for his greatest achievement, which was to lure the Americans to our aid, and then persuade them to put the European war before that in the Pacific. This was not "romanticism", nor was it a surrender. Without the Americans we could never have been on the winning side.

Churchill was not in many respects an attractive man, but what people who were not alive during the war do not understand is the immense debt of gratitude felt for him by those who were. It is right that his failings and errors — some of them colossal — should be coolly assessed by historians. But they should not forget the crowds that gathered in the bitter February cold for his funeral, and a lone man in a field in RAF uniform, at attention, with tears streaming down his cheeks, saluting the train that took his body to Woodstock.

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Scores of mares mutilated

# Police link sex attacks on horses with bizarre cult

By Lin Jenkins

A MARE has been severely mutilated in an attack that could be the latest in a series involving hundreds of horses over more than a decade.

Chiltern Hills, a retired hunter belonging to a property company chairman, lost pints of blood from a foot-long wound. The animal underwent surgery at a veterinary hospital near the stables at Lacey Green, Buckinghamshire. Police believe that the attack, like similar cases in the South of England, may have some sexual motive and be linked with a cult or satanic worship.

The 23-year-old mare's sex organs were cut in the attack. Other horses have been stabbed or suffered sexual injuries from knives, hammers or blunt objects. Attacks often take place at or near a full moon.

Chiltern Hills is owned by Sir Nigel Mobbs, chairman and chief executive of Slough Estates and a non-executive director of Barclays Bank. The attack was discovered when a groom went to the mare's barn on Saturday morning.

Sir Nigel, 55, and his wife were at home at the time. Lady Mobbs said: "We are all quite sickened by what has happened. It must be the work of some sort of sexual maniac. Whoever was responsible must have some sort of anatomical knowledge of horses and was clearly out to make sure she could not bear foals."

The veterinary surgeon expects the horse to recover, although some victims of similar attacks have failed to heal and have been destroyed. Lady Mobbs said: "It is very similar to attacks in Hampshire last year, but the most worrying thing is that if they can do this to an animal then they could do it to a human being."

Thames Valley police are working with the Hampshire force, which saw a spate of similar attacks last year. Davy Jones, the actor and former singer with The Monkees pop group, had two horses attacked on consecutive nights in Hampshire. One suffered a nine-inch cut and something, possibly a fence post, had been forced inside her.

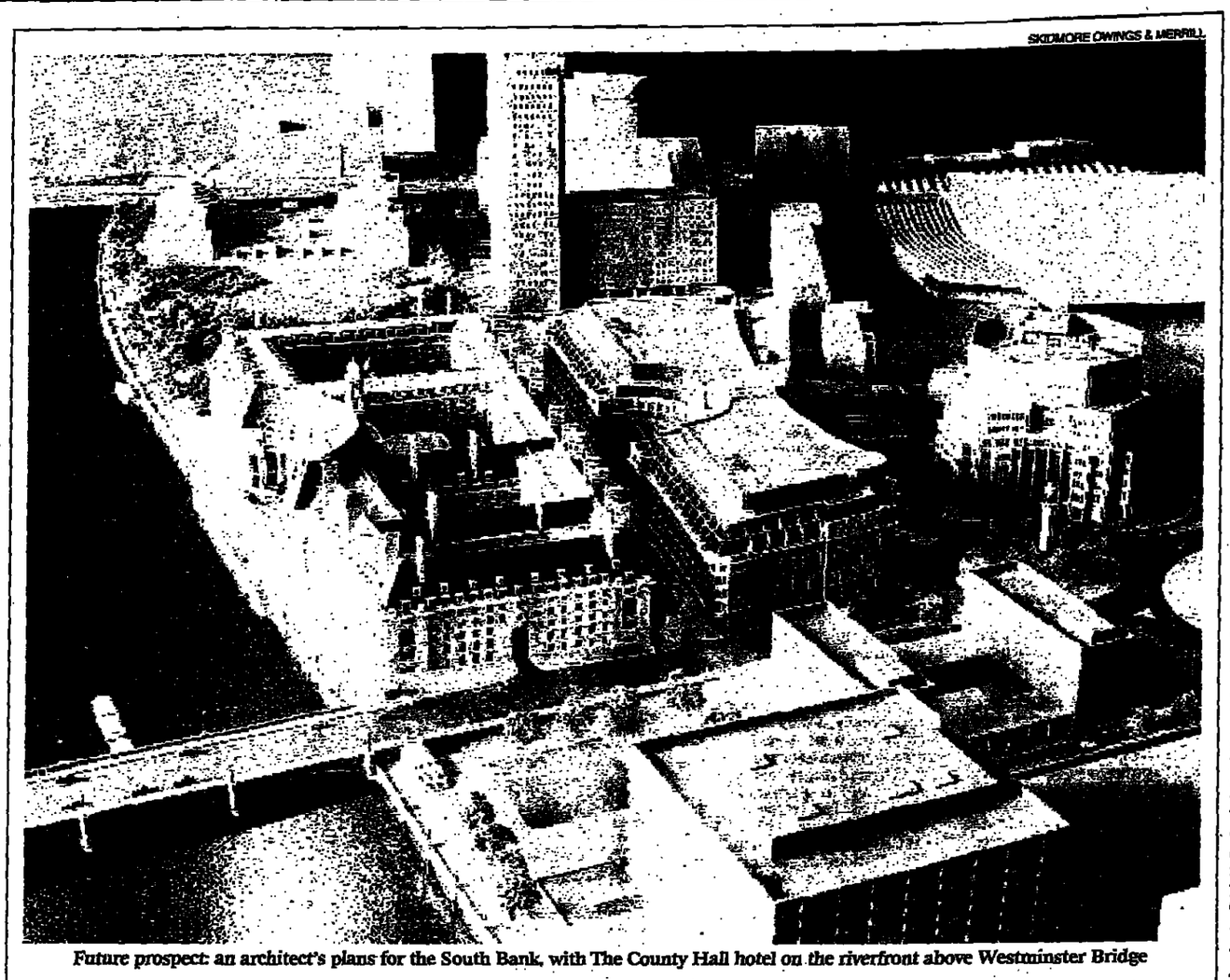
Police think it unlikely that one person is responsible for all the attacks which, while common in Hampshire, appear in spates in other parts of the country. One Hampshire vet has treated 30 horses attacked during the past 15 years.

Sergeant Paul Brightwell of Thames Valley police said: "The horse suffered an appalling injury. It was a foot long and up to six inches deep. The attack appears to have some sort of bizarre sexual motive."

Most of the attacks have taken place in the summer months in fields adjoining roads, bridleways or footpaths. Some of the Hampshire victims last year had been advertised for sale in local newspapers.



Sir Nigel: kept retired hunter in barn



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Future prospect: an architect's plans for the South Bank, with The County Hall hotel on the riverfront above Westminster Bridge

# County Hall's owners turn back the clock

By Ian Murray

THE County Hall building on the South Bank in London would be restored to its original oak-panelled splendour under a planning application to be considered by Lambeth council today.

The 1922 plans by Ralph Knott, the architect, have been used in preparing the application to turn the former headquarters of the defunct Greater London Council into a riverside hotel for the Japanese Shirayama group. The group paid £65 million to beat off a rival bid by the London School of Economics and is keen to start gutting the middle of old offices from which the GLC was evicted in 1986.

"There are to be no geisha girls or dragons," according to Geoff Mann, of the RHWL Partnership which will carry out the restoration work. "The idea is to aim for no more than around three stars so that it can be a family hotel with lots of rooms accessible to everyone. The group sees itself as Japanese caretakers of a marvellous English institution. They want if to revert to what it used to be. It should be full of people doing things. The public is going to have access in a way it never did."

Planning officers for Lambeth council, which originally favoured the LSE bid to turn the site into a European social science university, are to recommend the hotel plan is approved. English Heritage and the Royal Fine Art Commission have also given their blessing.

In removing the accumulation of offices over the past 70 years, the architect's problem has been finding what to do with all the space. "It's so splendid in its own right and huge that we can't think what to do with it all," Mr Mann said.

The first floor is to be renovated and the original brass lanterns and lamps, which were discovered in the basement, replaced. Panels of members names are to be restored and retained, the council chamber will be recreated as a conference hall and the hotel will be called The County Hall.

Part of the plan includes restoring a small children's library, one of the original amenities, for the use of Lambeth residents. There is also to be a children's educational centre in the old oval office where the GLC vehicle licensing department was housed. The director general's office will become a snooker room.

Other plans include a small wedding chapel, a health club in the basement, a 24-hour restaurant on the riverside terrace and visiting exhibitions by small London museums in the long corridors.

If the plans are approved, work could start by the summer. The London Residuary Body has launched an international marketing campaign to sell off the rest of the site, which includes two blocks along Belvedere Road, the multi-sided, bronze-windowed building in the middle of the roundabout at the end of Westminster Bridge Road and a nearby cleared site.

Outline planning permission has been granted to demolish these and replace them with a two new blocks. The island site would be demolished and a roundabout built at the end of Westminster Bridge Road, possibly with space for a monument.

## Death-car joyrider sentenced

A joyrider who killed two youngsters after a high-speed crash was sentenced yesterday to 51 months in a young offenders' institution.

Unemployed Alan Thompsett, 19, from Sheerness, Kent, killed Mark McCullum, 14, and Caroline Sinderby, 15, by dangerous driving. The BMW in which they were passengers rolled over and ended up in a field after crashing into another car at 91mph, Maidstone Crown Court was told. Thompsett had been smoking cannabis.

Thompsett had admitted the charge at a previous hearing and had been remanded in custody while reports were compiled. He had also admitted handling the stolen car, three burglaries and stealing another car.

## Smithie wins

Richard Haigh, 43, who believes he is the only remaining blacksmith in east Dorset, has won an appeal to continue working at Saxon Forge near Verwood. The council ruled the site was unsuitable for industrial use, but a government inspector said Mr Haigh was pursuing a traditional rural craft.

## Man, 80, killed

A murder hunt has been launched after the badly beaten body of an elderly man was discovered in his bungalow on a sheltered housing development. The warden had been unable to contact Percy Noble, 80, of Sleights, near Whitby, North Yorkshire, and alerted the police.

## Case delayed

A civil action being brought against Hampshire police by 11 hunt saboteurs was adjourned yesterday after lawyers for the police said they were not ready to proceed. The saboteurs are suing the police for alleged false imprisonment after a meet on the Isle of Wight in March 1990.

## Rape disclosed

A woman aged 18 has just told police that she was raped in Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire, a month ago by a man described as in his early twenties, 5ft 6in tall and with a scar on the right-hand side of his face.

## Wages snatch

An armed robber who wore a personal stereo snatched £31,000 in wages from the Butlins-owned Princes Hotel in Cliftonville, Kent, after confronting a cashier in an alleyway and threatening to shoot him unless he handed over the contents of a safe.

## Lighthouse fall

A man, believed to be in his sixties, died after apparently slipping on wet grass and falling 200ft down cliffs at Maughold Head on the northeast coast of the Isle of Man. He was working on a lighthouse.

## Forest appeal

An appeal to save 19,000 acres of Argentinian rainforest, featured in the film *The Mission*, starring Robert de Niro and Jeremy Irons, has been launched by the Rainforest Foundation, based in Hertfordshire.

## Rare booty

Two rare Victorian carriages, one worth £8,000, have been stolen from a collection at 16th century Burton Constable Hall in North Humberside.

# Delay kills breast cancer men

By Nigel Hawkes
Science Editor

MEN are dying unnecessarily from breast cancer because so few realise that it can affect both sexes, according to the Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

About 170 men a year in Britain get the disease, and the survival rate is 60 per cent. But the fund said yesterday that many more could survive if they came forward for treatment more quickly. They wait an average of 18 months before consulting their doctor.

Ian Fentiman, deputy director of the fund's breast cancer unit at Guy's Hospital, south London, said: "Men wait so long because they are unaware of the possibility that they can get breast cancer, or because they are embarrassed at having what is thought of as a female problem. The earlier this cancer is treated the better the chances of a cure. So it is very important that if a man does find a lump in his breast he should go and see his doctor about it."

Overweight men are at a greater risk of contracting breast cancer, and a person's occupation may also play a part. Diseases that reduce male sex hormones or increase oestrogen, the female sex hormone which is also found in men, increase the risk. The commonest of these is the parasitic disease bilharzia.

Mr Fentiman said there had never been any clinical trials to test treatments for the disease in men. Normally surgery, radiotherapy and drugs are used, but he believes there should be a national trial to identify the best treatment.

# Extra charge on council tax divides town and villages

By John Young

THE environment department faces a potentially embarrassing test case over its council tax legislation after the decision of a local authority in Hampshire to charge some residents a higher rate of council tax than others, because they are said to enjoy better amenities.

Opponents of the Test Valley council's plan argue that it constitutes a dangerous precedent, opening the way for local authorities to discriminate between different parts of their constituencies. Taken to extremes, they fear it could lead to political chicanery, with councillors favouring marginal areas where they need to win votes.

Councillors are sharply divided over the proposal to impose an extra tax on the residents of Andover, the main town in the district, on the grounds that they benefit more from council services than those in outlying areas.

The revenue raised by local authorities is largely spent directly by the authorities themselves but also contains small "precepts" to fund the parish councils within their boundaries. Most parish councils are village-based, and towns such as Andover are defined in bureaucratic jargon as "unparished".

The Test Valley dispute centres on interpretation of Section 35 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, by which the new council tax is enacted. This implies that any extra expenditure incurred by a local authority for the benefit of a particular group of residents must be charged to those residents alone and not to all taxpayers.

The environment department said that, under the act, a local authority must ensure that expenses incurred in meeting a parish precept were met only by taxpayers in that parish. In general, the department did not believe that the act empowered local authorities to impose different rates of tax, but interpretation was ultimately a matter for the courts.

David Matthews, assistant borough treasurer, argued that people living in the "unparished" part of the area administered by the council, namely Andover, had access to a number of mainly recreational facilities which were not widely used by people in the surrounding villages.

Mr Matthews claimed that under the new legislation, local authorities were required to make special provision for areas in which they incurred extra expenses.

The amount of the extra levy had not yet been determined, but could be up to £250,000, he said. He estimated that it might mean an extra £23 on a property in the D band, the middle one of seven used nationally for evaluating tax liability. "I think it is probably fair to say that the councillors who represent Andover think the extra charge would be unfair," he said. "Those outside Andover think it is eminently fair."

Gillian Hannington, a councillor from Andover, described the council's proposal as outrageous. It meant that the people of Andover would be subsidising residents in the prosperous market town of Romsey.

# Parents to sue over baby swap

THE parents who were given the wrong babies at a maternity hospital plan to sue officials of Southampton and South West Hampshire Health Authority.

The two girls were reunited with the right parents last month after a seven-day wait when it was discovered that the babies had left Princess Anne Hospital, in Southampton, Hampshire, with the wrong mothers.

The mistake came to light when Maureen Bursey noticed her daughter had the wrong name on an ankle tag after arriving home. She alerted health workers, who contacted the other parents and told them they might have the wrong child.

Baby Gemma was reunited with Mrs Bursey and her husband Tony, and baby Carla was returned to Marie Coyle and Peter Wadsley when tests proved the babies had been mixed up. But it was a week before the parents received the results.

# Cash blow threatens Old Master gallery

By Alison Roberts, Arts Reporter

AN ART gallery is facing a £200,000 shortfall and may be forced to put its valuable paintings into storage and shut its doors to the public.

The prospect has saddened and angered art experts who say that the Dulwich Picture Gallery collection in south London, which includes works by Rembrandt, Rubens, Van Dyck, Canaletto and Gainsborough, is historically important.

The gallery is not granted state money from the London Arts Board, although it is eligible, and relies on Alleyn's College of God's Gift, a charity that has donated £120,000 for 1992-3. The London Borough of Southwark and the London Boroughs Grants Scheme support the collection and self-generated income accounts for a large proportion of running costs. But only £350,000 of the £550,000 needed this year is likely to be raised.

A spokesman for the gallery said that there was never enough money to fund the collection properly. The sale of a picture — Rembrandt's *Girl At the Window* would fetch tens of millions of pounds and would almost certainly go abroad — is unlikely to be allowed by the Charities Commission.

John Murdoch, assistant director at the Victoria and Albert Museum, said that the mooted closure would be "intensely" regrettable. "The gallery has been extremely energetically and admirably directed and there have been some very interesting exhibitions.

"A great deal of work has been done in re-establishing certain ways of displaying paintings which has done a service to the whole field over the last ten years. It is desperately sad that they should be in such a situation."

The gallery is looking for a long-term sponsor or for government money. Donation of the collection to another gallery, the National for example, is not allowed under the original terms of bequest, which specify that it must stay in Dulwich.

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# Bogus therapists escape tougher safeguards

By Jeremy Laurance
Health Services Correspondent

**The number of people seeking psychotherapy has soared, and so has the danger from unqualified practitioners treating vulnerable patients**

MOVES to protect patients from psychological damage or even sexual exploitation by poorly trained or unscrupulous practitioners who call themselves psychotherapists look set to founder.

Allegations of abuse made against some therapists have led to demands for a governing body to deal with complaints and to establish a register of qualified therapists.

Final agreement on the register was expected at a meeting of the UK Standing Conference of Psychotherapy, which has 70 member associations, next weekend. However, fears that the standards set will be too low have prompted a group of those who practise in psychoanalytically based therapies to set up a rival organisation, the British Confederation of Psychotherapists, with a separate register, adding to confusion for the public.

Interest in psychotherapy has grown rapidly in recent years, but potential patients do not know how to find a qualified therapist. Practitioners range from the serious to the barmy, and offer therapies such as conventional psychoanalysis, neuro-linguistic programming, psychodrama, and personal construct psychology. Anyone can set up as a therapist by buying a couch, placing a small ad in the paper and offering "treatment".

Jill Curtis, of the British Association of Psychotherapists, one of half-a-dozen organisations in the confederation, says that the biggest risk with an unqualified "therapist" is that he may uncover something that he does not know how to treat.

Concern about harm that unqualified therapists may do to emotionally vulnerable people dates from the early 1970s, when a government enquiry into the mind control cult, Scientology, recommended legislation to regulate psychotherapy.

However, attempts to reach agreement on training standards have repeatedly failed because of the enormous variety of therapies, which range from short-term behavioural treatments — to control a phobia, for example — to long-term psychoanalysis, involving minute examination of past and present relationships.

To encompass these differences, the Standing Conference divided into eight sections, each with its own standards and training requirements, in recognition that people can be helped in different ways. However, disagreements broke out in the psychoanalysis section between organisations with the strictest rules of entry and the rest.

Bodies such as the Institute of Psychoanalysis and the British Association of Psychotherapists complained that proper regard was not being shown to the serious, strict, psychoanalytic therapies, which insist on practitioners undergoing personal therapy at least three times a week for a minimum of four years.

"Within our section, there were other organisations that did not share our views," said Dr Brian Martindale, of the breakaway confederation. "We felt the standards were not high enough and we were in too small a minority to have real influence."

Allegations that some therapists have sexually abused clients have also raised concern. The Prevention of Professional Abuse Network, set up by two psychotherapists to help the victims, says that it has received more than 100 complaints from patients. "A number of psychotherapists who are still practising have slept with their patients," said Jenny Fasal, one of the founders. "Even when it is drawn to the attention of their organisations, either they refuse to believe it or they don't do anything about it."

Ms Fasal said that the cases involved highly qualified psychoanalysts as well as "spiritual healers". Secrecy was sometimes maintained with threats of compulsory admission to psychiatric hospital. "One analyst warned his patient that whatever she said he could always get people to believe what he said," Ms Fasal said.

Ms Fasal says that all who practise any kind of psychotherapy should have to register with a central body, regardless of differences in training or standards.

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THERE are frequent articles about the British invasion of American magazines, with the editors of *Vogue* in America, *Harper's Bazaar* and *The New Yorker* now all British. Less often documented is the misery of British journalists when confronted by the American institution of fact-checkers.

American magazines tend to measure their prestige by the number of fact-checkers they can employ. These fact-checkers spend all day, every day, ironing out the comical, the whimsical, the conjectural, and the satirical (one might almost add the truthful) in favour of the factual. Nowadays, when two or more British journalists are gathered they spend their time capping each other's anecdotes of the tyranny of the fact-checker.

If one mentions, say, Balmoral, one is then obliged to fax a map of Scotland including the word "Balmoral" so that the fact of Balmoral's existence may be checked. Having written a piece on the BBC for *New York Magazine*, I was asked by a fact-checker for the telephone number of the BBC so that she could check that it did, indeed, produce television programmes.

Writing on British journalism for another American magazine, a friend was asked to produce proof that *The London Evening News* was no longer printed, which turned out to be an almost impossible task.

But the late Graham Greene ("can you *prove* that he's late, please?") wins hands down. Having written a piece on his childhood for *The New Yorker*, he heard to his surprise that the fact-checkers had been in contact with his elderly sister, just to check that it was all strictly factual.

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# Bosnia staves off pressure to accept UN peace plan

BY ROGER BOYES, EAST EUROPE CORRESPONDENT

BOSNIAN Muslims fighting to preserve a strong unitary state at the Geneva peace talks yesterday found themselves diplomatically isolated and under heavy pressure to agree to the United Nations plan to decentralise the embattled republic.

President Izetbegovic of Bosnia is convinced that the UN plan, prepared by Cyrus Vance and Lord Owen, is a prelude to the partitioning of Bosnia. It splits Bosnia into ten self-governing provinces and although it preserves on paper a unified Bosnian state, it gives almost not power to the central authorities. There is little to stop Bosnian Serbs and Bosnian Croats holding a referendum to join Serbia and Croatia, leaving the three small Muslim regions in an untenable position. And, say the Muslims, despite the promises to disarm militias in Bosnia, there is nothing to stop the Serbs flouting the plan.

The Bosnian Muslims are thus stonewalling. It is clear that they are not only pitted against their military enemies, the Serbs, and their shifting military allies, the Croats, but also their erstwhile saviours, the UN. As Dr Hajmuddin Somun, adviser to the Bosnia presidency, said yesterday: "They imposed the war and now they are trying to impose on us the peace . . . it's too early for peace."

The Muslims have pinpointed another serious flaw: their blueprint makes no provision for reversing ethnic cleansing. "It's funny," said Dr Somun, "to discuss whether a village will belong to one province or another and then allow these people who have commited war crimes to remain in power in their province. How can people return to these villages?"

The fact is that while the plan is being presented as a last alternative to the use of Western military force, to implement it would require considerable military prowess. To link the ten regions with internationally supervised corridors will mean huge new deployment of UN troops. So, too, will any guarantee offered to those displaced by ethnic cleansing.

The UN negotiators emphasised that the plan was not a veil to hide the shame of an internationally sanctioned carve-up. "We're putting it (Bosnia) back together again as a sovereign and unified state," said one negotiator. Certainly the plan seems to be as far as any Western politician or diplomat will go towards declaring the integrity of Bosnia; most politicians seem to pay only lip service to the concept while privately conceding that the Serb military gains have made some form of partition inevitable. For sure, the old Bosnia — a tolerant, intricately balanced multi-ethnic society — can never be revived.

The Bosnian Muslims are not the only unhappy delegates. The Bosnian Serbs are having to yield a sizeable chunk of their military gain. They control some 70 per cent of the republic but under the UN plan will have to make do with 50 per cent.

The fact is that Serbs and Croats have achieved all that they can by military action. The Bosnian Muslims alone have something to gain from a military operation; they can expand the territory allotted to them under the Geneva peace plan and above all try to break the siege of Sarajevo. It is important for the future credibility of the Bosnian state that its capital is not demilitarised as an act of mercy by the UN, but by the actions and skill of the Bosnian government soldiers. Although the UN says that Sarajevo should be an "open city", in practice the Bosnian Serbs will almost certainly try to create a Beirut-style green line, segmenting the capital according to crude ethnic criteria. The Muslims want to stop this at all costs. Even at the cost of more life.

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# Refugees huddle against winter's onslaught

FROM ADAM LEBOR IN TRAVNIK

AMELA Gutlic shivered as she took her family's washing off the rack in the courtyard of the Travnik secondary school. The clothes were frozen solid and she carried an icy jumble of shirts and trousers, their arms and legs jutting out at odd angles and covered in fresh snow.

Here in central Bosnia, the diplomatic wranglings of politicians in Geneva's peace conference may as well be happening on another planet. While they dream up peace plans and prepare to carve up Bosnia, the Muslims and Croats whose fate they are deciding say they will never accept Serb rule over their home towns and villages.

The 12-year-old Muslim girl is one of more than 300 refugees struggling to survive through the hard Bosnian winter in the old school building. The school was closed because of shelling but there is nowhere else to put the refugees. Fuel for the small petrol heaters in each room has not been delivered for nearly a week and even during the day the temperature in the corridors is below freezing.

General Winter has launched a full-scale assault on Bosnia and his forces triumph everywhere. The roads on which relief convoys must travel are coated with snow and ice, and lorry drivers light bonfires under their vehicles to warm their engines. Children ski or ride sleds, and plumes of breath hang in the air.

With the temperature dropping below -10C, the fighting has slowed down. Serb gunners are just a few miles outside the front-line town of Travnik but a Christmas ceasefire has largely held, apart from on New Year's eve, when the Serbs fired four shells.

More than 10,000 refugees have come to Travnik's winding Turkish streets, and while they seem safe from shelling for now they must combat cold and hunger instead. Three mortars landed near the gymnasium two months ago, shattering windows and now the icy wind howls through the building, cutting through clothing like a knife.

"Conditions here are very miserable. It's several degrees below freezing and food supplies are bad," said Amla Nadarevic, 16, a refugee from near Prijedor who now works in the gymnasium. "I try tohelp the people who are suffering, sorting out problems of food deliveries, medicine and so on."



CHRIS HARRIS

*Cold comfort: in a school gymnasium in Travnik, a Bosnian refugee woman and child take shelter. The temperature is well below freezing, there is scarcely any fuel for heating, and food is in short supply. The town, near the front line, has taken 10,000 refugees from the war*

The scene inside the gymnasium is repeated all over former Yugoslavia. Men and women sit silently, the few possessions they could salvage piled beside them, staring at grey walls waiting for their next meal, a fog of cigarette smoke hanging in the air. A few chat while others have the blank stare of those who have seen too much in one lifetime.

Elderly people, women and children have beds but men sleep on the floor, covered with a carpet of grey blankets. Even here the refugees try to observe the proprieties of Muslim village life: shoes are arranged in a corner and some people sip tiny cups of strong coffee, brewed the Turkish way. They eat twice a day; breakfast of bread and meat paste, lunch mostly of rice and beans.

An old couple lie fully clothed on their bed, huddling under a blanket for warmth. Only the children laugh, running around shouting, carried through the suffering by the resilience of youth.

Like many of the refugees in Travnik, Amla and her family were expelled by the Serbs last autumn and forced to cross the front lines under Serb fire. "They put us on a bus but we didn't have to buy a ticket as they had burnt our house down. Now I can say that I hate Serbs, but we would never be capable of doing the things they have. It's hard to say what the cause is of all this suffering. It must be something in the dark side of their brain."

The clutch of soldiers just back from the front line, huddled round a petrol heater in one of the Travnik schoolrooms, were angry at the prospect of what they see as capitulation to the Serbs who now control 70 per cent of Bosnian territory. "The peace plan will fail sooner or later," said Memet. "We left our houses and now they are destroyed." Whatever was agreed in Geneva, he said, he would head for home and on the way would try to kill as many Serb fighters as possible.

Others were more resigned to their fate, but still were weary of the seemingly endless talk about the future of Bosnia. "Other people are deciding our destiny," said Delva, 42, a refugee from Kljuc in north-west Bosnia. Together with her bedridden husband Ramo, 49, and their daughter Saera, 12, she spends her days knitting and trying to keep warm in the school. "It's very hard to wait while the politicians agree what to do," she said. "But I'm an optimist and I always hope for something better in the new year."

"Happy new year 1993," says the greeting on the blackboard in one of the schoolrooms. Amla remains hopeful about what 1993 will bring. "After all the suffering we have been through we are stronger, capable of enduring anything. We will win because we have right on our side," she said. "My wish is for a normal life. Going to schools, parties. Living at home and meeting people. Someday I will come back to Travnik, but then it will be as a tourist."

# UK Muslims give adoption warning

BY RUTH GLEDHILL, RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

LEADERS of the Islamic community in Britain are calling for Muslim orphans from Bosnia to go to Muslim couples for long-term fostering only, and say they should not be adopted for life.

A senior Muslim from the Islamic Cultural Centre at the Regent's Park mosque in London will write this week to Timothy Yeo, under-secretary of state for health, outlining the Muslim stance. Mr Yeo called this week for Britain to take a lead in clearing bureaucratic obstacles to the adoption of Bosnian orphans.

Bashir Ebraham Khan, an ethnic adviser on Westminster city council's adoption panel and an officer of the Islamic centre, said adoption was a prominent feature of Muslim life but in legal terms Islamic adoption was more akin to the fostering process in the West. He said Muslim tradition was that all babies were born innocent, and those born as a result of rape by a Serb would still be considered Muslim. "In this situation, where I can quite understand the feelings of mothers who reject their babies, it is the duty of the Muslim community to take charge of these children.

"Adoption as it is defined in English law is not very desirable. The simple reason is that it is an irreversible process, and the mother cannot go back after one or ten years and say, 'I want my baby back'. In Islam, we do not adopt people in a one-way irreversible process."

## Germany's immigration burden

# Border guards play hide and seek on Europe's Rio Grande

FROM ANATOL LIEVEN IN GÖRLITZ, SAXONY

A SMALL muddy stream called the Neisse, which forms the southern part of the border between Germany and Poland, is the Rio Grande of Europe. A large proportion of the more than 450,000 asylum-seekers who entered Germany last year came in illegally over this "green frontier".

Other refugees disappear into the shadow economy, living with relatives already in Germany. Many Germans fear they may be the harbingers of a huge exodus from the collapsing former Soviet economies.

Among the traditional farmhouses and desolate industrial sites of the region, German border guards play hide and seek with the immigrants. Etched against the moonlit sky was the outline of an enormous excavator at a derelict open-cast coalmine: a symbol of the industrial decline and unemployment that is stimulating anti-immigrant feeling in eastern Germany.

The guards based in Görlitz are well equipped, but few in number — only 36 for a 23-mile stretch of the border — and they have to spend much of their time on paperwork. "The immigrants come in past our front door, right under our noses," said a guard disgustedly. Rudolf Seiters, the interior minister, has promised an increase in the force over the next year and is thinking of asking the army for help.

The changes in legislation agreed in Bonn this week will make it more difficult to enter the asylum process, but is unlikely to stop the immigration. "As long as wages in Eastern Europe are a tenth of those in Germany, they will just keep on coming," a border guard said. "After all, in summer they hardly need to get their ankles wet crossing the Neisse, and there are not enough of us to stop them all."

From January to November last year, the guards at Görlitz caught 3,168 people crossing illegally, but one guard said that in his estimation this was only about 25 per cent of those who came across. Some immediately apply for asylum. The guards denied stories that they have become deaf to such applications and said that if the people they catch have valid passports they were always processed according to the law. Otherwise they are sent back to Poland.

Many of those who are returned try again, sometimes on the same day. "A colleague of mine caught the same man, a Romanian gypsy, three times in two days. You must admit it gets a bit depressing, because you know that if they keep trying they will always get through in the end."




Most of the immigrants are brought to the frontier by rings of professional smugglers, which in some cases may have organised their journeys from countries as far away as Iraq. Romanian gypsies form the great majority of those coming across, and are helped by their compatriots already in Germany.

The guards make little secret of their dislike of the gypsies, but express sympathy for the asylum-seekers in general. "Of course it hurts you, because you know that they will have paid hundreds of dollars to the smugglers, and if they are caught it's the end of the world for them." Agitation against asylum-seekers has been partly caused by reports in the press about people in asylum homes organising smuggling rings.

So far, there have been only a few illegal immigrants from the former Soviet Union. "Last year, the Polish guards on the other side warned us of a huge movement from Russia on the way, but it hasn't happened yet," said Lt Karlheinz Kern, the commander of the guards at Görlitz.

The guards said that the smuggling rings are not yet guilty of the kind of brutality they have heard of on the United States frontier with Mexico. "We ourselves do not use our weapons, either against vehicles or people. That would be quite disproportionate," said Lt Kern. The most dangerous incidents are when the smugglers' vehicles try to race past roadblocks. Last year, a border guard from Görlitz was knocked down and badly injured.

About half of the guards on the Görlitz stretch of the border are west Germans, transferred in the past two years from the west German border guards force, which is also responsible for internal security. The eastern guards, like almost all police and guards from the former East Germany taken into the all-German forces, have been demoted to non-commissioned officers. Their pay is 70 per cent of that of their western colleagues. "Actually, we only get 50 per cent, because they get an allowance on top of their pay for coming to live here in the east. Otherwise, no west German would come here," one guard said.

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# Reshuffle offers few options for Kohl

FROM MICHAEL BINYON IN BONN

AN OFFICIAL announcement that Helmut Kohl, the German chancellor, would reshuffle his cabinet before the end of the month did little to clear up the confusion yesterday over who will succeed Jürgen Möllemann, who quit as economics minister and vice-chancellor at the weekend.

All but two contenders among the Free Democrats (FDP) said they would not stand, although the party — with a claim to five cabinet seats — insisted it would take up the economics portfolio. The choice now appears to be between Günter Rexrodt, a former West Berlin senator responsible for finance and now a member of the Treuhand privatisation agency, and Walter Hirche, the finance minister of Brandenburg in former East Germany.

The FDP praesidium will nominate its candidate tomorrow at a traditional Epiphany meeting, and on Friday the full party will discuss this and who should take over its leadership in June. The Free Democrats are anxious to avoid a fiasco similar to that which occurred after Hans-Dietrich Genscher's resignation, when the praesidium nominated one candidate as the next foreign minister, only to have its choice overturned by the parliamentary party.

Klaus Kinkel, the foreign minister, is now likely to be nominated vice-chancellor, to the intense annoyance of the Bavarian-based Christian Social Union (CSU), which, as the third coalition partner, has renewed its claim on the post. He will probably also take over from Count Otto Lambsdorff as the FDP leader.

Coalition politics leave Herr Kohl little room for manoeuvre in his cabinet reshuffle. Although his own party, the Christian Democratic Union, is complaining that the FDP cannot field enough competent ministers, he cannot move his own people into positions which are held by the Free Democrats or the CSU.

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# Arms accord leaves US with nuclear strike advantage

FROM JAMIE DETTMER IN WASHINGTON AND ANNE MCELVOY IN MOSCOW

■ Mr Yeltsin, undercutting Russian military might, is prepared to face conservative ire to win over Mr Clinton

GEORGE Bush arrived home yesterday from his last foreign trip as president to praise from the American media, which in recent months have found little right with his leadership. The arms reduction pact that he signed with President Yeltsin at the weekend is being seen in Washington as a remarkable accomplishment, earning Mr Bush the title of the "disarmament president".

With only 15 days left in office, President Bush can congratulate himself, according to American newspapers, on not only having signed the most sweeping nuclear arms control treaty in history but also on having pulled off a stunning diplomatic coup which assures the United States of global nuclear supremacy.

While Mr Yeltsin will face an uphill struggle in gaining the endorsement of the Russian parliament for the second Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (Start 2), there will be few voices raised in the US Senate against an accord which will cut the nuclear arsenals of both countries by two-thirds but leave America with a clear tactical edge over Russia. Although the agreement virtually wipes out Moscow's ability to launch a first-strike nuclear attack, it only sharply reduces Washington's capability to do so.

Mr Yeltsin's extraordinary good spirits at the Kremlin ceremony stem from his belief that the accord will endear him to the incoming Washington administration. The nuclear legacy clouded relations with America at a time when the Russian leader has come to believe that Washington is the only foreign power that can substantially aid his reform programme. Helmut Kohl, the German chancellor, made it clear on his recent visit that Bonn is unlikely to be able to bail out Russian reform for 15 years.

Start 2 ties Russia closer to America, securing US cash and expertise to help in the dismantling process. Mr Yeltsin has encouraged President-elect Clinton to visit soon after he takes office on January 20 and sent the Bush delegation home bearing the message to its successors that he would like to see Start 2 rewarded with a renegotiated economic aid package.

President Yeltsin, under fire from former Communist and nationalist critics who think that he has signed away the country's superpower status, has been quick to point out that the cost of destroying the weapons and extracting and storing fissile material will soon be balanced by savings in the maintaining and servicing of missile silos. "We discussed whether the treaty was more advantageous to one of the parties and came to the conclusion that it was not," he said, adding that even after the implementation of the treaty, Russia will have 3,000 warheads, more than any country other than America.

Both Mr Bush and Mr Yeltsin were at pains at the weekend to emphasise how balanced the treaty was and their aides, particularly the Americans, who are mindful of the Russian leader's weakened domestic position, pointed to the concessions the US had made in order to reach the agreement. These concessions mean the Russians retain the use of 90 silos used for their heavy SS18 missiles and can keep some SS19s by converting them into single-warhead weapons.

However, by signing a pact which eliminates all American and Russian land-based multiple-warhead missiles, Mr Yeltsin in effect has demolished the cornerstone of Russia's strategic arsenal. Under the treaty, America maintains a multiple-warhead capability by being allowed to keep half of its seaborn missiles armed with more than one warhead. Washington will also end up overall with 500 more warheads than Moscow.

Russian conservatives and nationalists were already talking darkly of how Mr Yeltsin had sold out to the Americans. Mr Yeltsin has sought to answer his critics by saying that while the pact will cut the total of Russian warheads from about 10,000 to 3,000, Moscow will still boast a "powerful shield which is capable of defending Russia". However, in a country that not too long ago had pretensions of global nuclear supremacy, the accord rankles.

The treaty language still suggests a parity of power, which was the assumption of previous disarmament initiatives, but its opponents point out that even if the pact is technically even-handed, Moscow is giving up one of the few remaining planks of former Soviet might. Even if Russia now endeavoured to build up its naval nuclear missiles, as some Russian conservatives fervently hope, the country will still face a disadvantage as America is far more advanced in anti-submarine warfare.

With this tactical edge in mind, Vladimir Belous, one of Russia's leading strategic analysts, argued at the weekend that the "shifting of the centre of gravity of the Russian strategic weapons from land to sea is an unjustified concession to the United States".

Trident missile purchases queried

# Pressure mounts on Britain to review warhead policy

BY MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

IN THE YEAR that the second of four Trident ballistic missile submarines is to be launched, the government is likely to come under pressure to re-examine its policy on warhead numbers. The signing of the second strategic arms reduction treaty between the United States and Russia raises important questions for Britain.

Does Britain still need to buy about 100 missiles from the United States, estimated to cost £1 billion? The deal with Washington to buy Trident D5 missiles was announced more than ten years ago. Forty-four have been bought so far, the defence ministry said yesterday.

Do the missiles still need to carry up to eight independently targeted warheads? The Trident missiles on American submarines will only have the equivalent of four each once Start 2 is implemented.

The official position is that Britain's nuclear deterrent is not affected by Start 1 or 2. The government, therefore, will go ahead with fitting up to eight warheads on each missile, giving a maximum of 512 warheads for the four submarines if they were all on patrol and carried the full load of 16 missiles per boat.

By the time Start 2 is implemented in 2003, those 512 warheads will represent about 15 per cent of the total number of warheads across the whole spectrum of American strategic nuclear weapons. They will also represent nearly 30 per cent of the American arsenal of submarine-launched warheads.

Under Start 2, the United States is to reduce its total strategic warhead stockpile to 3,500. Submarine-launched warheads will be cut to 1,750, which means that America's 18 Trident boats will only be able to carry an average of four warheads on each of their 24 missiles.

The British government has said that normally no Trident boat will carry the maximum load of eight warheads per missile. However, because of the desire to retain a degree of uncertainty and because of traditional secrecy, only a very small number of people will ever know how many warheads will go to sea on each patrol. The public will never learn whether the government has taken account of the new atmosphere of trust that exists between Moscow and the West by unilaterally reducing the number of warheads.

The first Trident submarine, HMS *Vanguard*, now on sea trials, is due to become operational at the end of next year. The second, HMS *Victorious*, will be launched from Barrow-in-Furness, in Cumbria, later this year.

The more warheads the government decides to put on the missiles, the larger the amount of plutonium required and the greater the cost. There may also be pressure from the United States for Britain to go for the four warhead option to achieve commonality between the two programmes. Although the warheads for the British Tridents are designed independently at Aldermaston, in Berkshire, they have to conform to the configurations of the American-designed re-entry vehicle.



Under fire: Trident II being tested in Florida

Trident's raison d'etre is still principally to help counterbalance the former Soviet strategic arsenal, to deter would-be nuclear blackmailers and to keep Britain's place as one the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council.

The existing Polaris missile equipped with three Chevaline warheads is being replaced by Trident because the old system is not big enough to carry a sufficient number of warheads and penetration aids to guarantee getting past Russia's anti-ballistic missile defences. In this new era, it could be argued that a Trident with only half its load of missiles and each missile armed with only four warheads and decoys, could be adequate for maintaining Britain's deterrent. If the government were to choose this policy, the world would be none the wiser.

The Russian defence system, which Trident has been designed to penetrate, forms an inner and outer ring around Moscow. The anti-ballistic missile system has been updated and creates a large defence "footprint" which covers far more than the area around the capital.

The first anti-ballistic missile system was installed in the late 1960s to the north and west of Moscow. Now there are new long range Gorgon interceptors in 36 silos in the outer defence ring and 64 silo-based shorter range Gazelle missiles, mostly in an inner ring around Moscow.

The three Cheveline warheads on Polaris are only semi-independently targeted. The warheads are designed to spread out at low altitude to confuse the Moscow defence system, but unlike the Trident warheads they are not capable of selecting different targets over a wide area.

The government's policy on warhead numbers has been complicated by the agreement between the United States and Russia to study the possibility of deploying joint anti-ballistic missile defences on the lines of the proposed American research programme GPALS, global protection against limited strikes. A joint system, designed to counter a nuclear strike of up to 200 missiles, could provide protection for Britain as well. Yet, in last year's defence white paper, the government hinted that if Russia's defences improved significantly in the future, it would have to consider whether to deploy the maximum of eight warheads on each Trident missile.

# American killer chooses gallows

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN NEW YORK

A MURDERER and child molester was due to become the first person to die by hanging in America for almost three decades at one minute past 5am London time today. Frantic legal moves by opponents of the death penalty were being staunchly opposed by the murderer himself.

Westley Allan Dodd, 31, who has a 17-year history of child abuse and was arrested for the rape and murder of three boys in 1989, consistently demanded his own execution and promised to kill again if he was not hanged. But the hanging was being opposed by a broad coalition of religious and legal groups arguing that this method of execution amounts to a "cruel and unusual punishment" and was therefore illegal.

As both opponents and supporters of the death penalty gathered in the snow outside the state penitentiary at Walla Walla in southeast Washington state yesterday, lawyers representing 26 state taxpayers made a last appeal to the state supreme court, claiming that hanging is both inhumane and inefficient, and citing a new study which shows that only about half the people hanged in British prisons between 1882 and 1945 died instantly.

Washington is one of only three states in America where death by hanging is still legal, but Dodd was offered the option of death by lethal injection. He chose the gallows, he said, because he hanged the youngest of his three victims in October 1989 and wanted to die in the same way. Dodd strangled and then hanged Lee Iseli, four, in a cupboard after kidnapping and sexually assaulting him over a period of two days.

Dodd's determination to decide the method of his own execution, and his repeated threats to rape and kill again if his wishes were not carried out, made a last-minute reprieve unlikely. A chillingly lucid and soft-spoken man, Dodd even appeared on television from Death Row to argue in favour of his own death and in court documents stated: "I must be executed before I have an opportunity to escape or kill someone else. If I do escape, I promise you I will kill and rape again, and I will enjoy every minute of it."

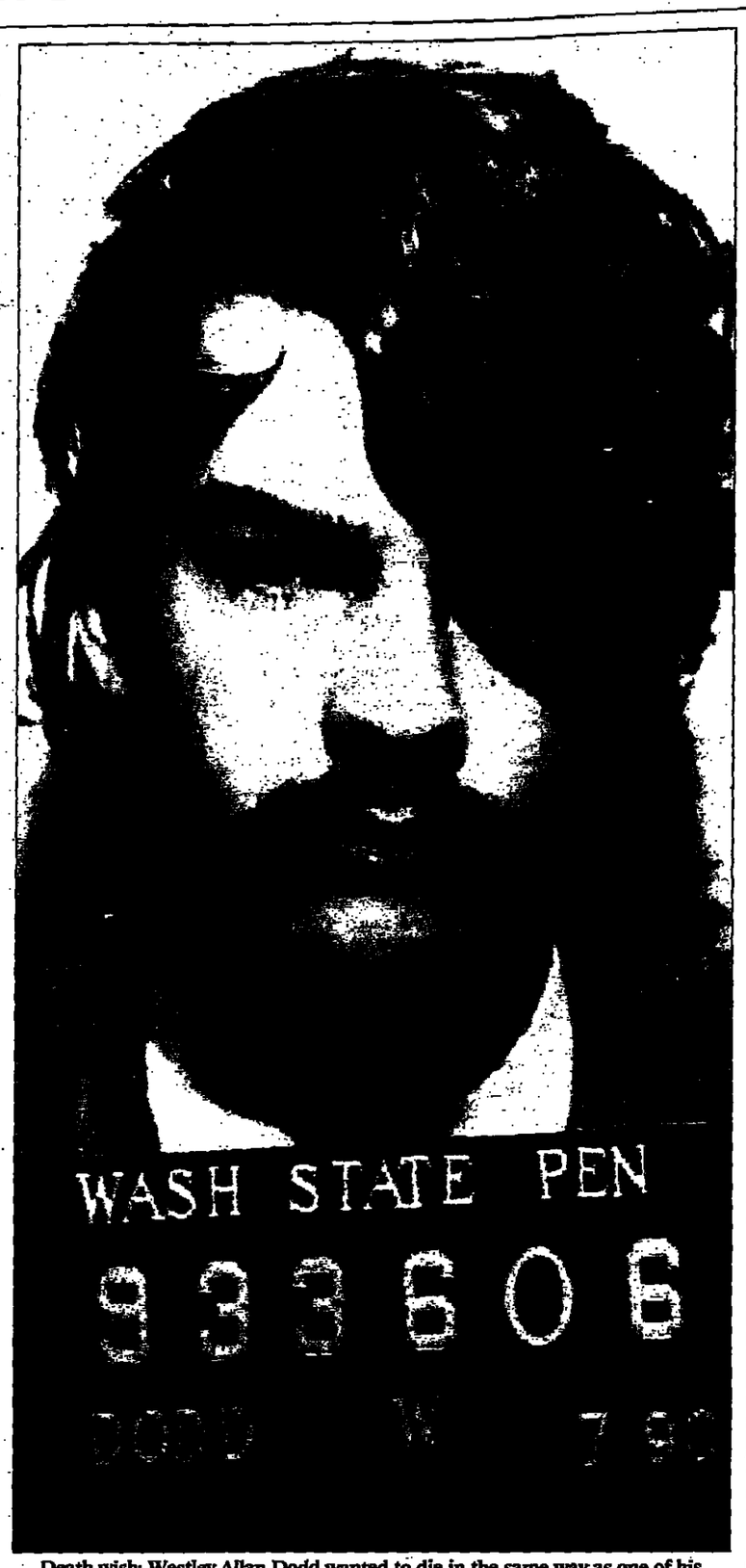
Lawyers for the American Civil Liberties Union said that Dodd's wishes and threats were irrelevant, and that the question is not whether he should die, but how. A special executioner underwent training at Walla Walla Penitentiary, but death by hanging is considered so gruesome that prison authorities erected a thin screen in front of the gallows so that only a silhouette of the execution was visible to witnesses.

The last prison hangings in the United States took place in Kansas in 1965 (the same year that Britain abolished hanging) when four murderers went to the gallows. Two of these were Richard Hickock and Perry Smith, later the subjects of Truman Capote's *In Cold Blood*.

Dodd was due to become the 185th person to be legally executed since the US Supreme Court allowed states to resume executions in 1976. The Dodd case prompted Washington state to pass the most stringent legislation against sex crimes, including a law by which sex offenders can be held in prison even after completing their sentences if there is a strong likelihood they will commit another offence.

Dodd's confession to the killing of Lee Iseli and the stabbing to death of two brothers, Cole and William Neer, 11 and 10, was followed by public outrage when it transpired that Dodd had never spent more than four months in prison at any one time despite a long history of child molestation.

Throughout his adolescence and early adulthood, Dodd was arrested for sexual offences, but was almost always given treatment rather than jail. Dodd admitted: "Each time I entered treatment, I continued to molest children."



Death wish: Westley Allan Dodd wanted to die in the same way as one of his child victims. He vowed to kill again "and enjoy it" if he escaped

# Hurd flies in to meet Nigeria's new team

**Abuja:** Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, will meet President Babangida, Nigeria's military leader, the Senate president and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, today (Elizabeth Obadina writes).

Mr Hurd arrived here yesterday and was met by Chief Matthew Mbu, the foreign affairs minister who was one of 29 people sworn in earlier yesterday to serve in a new, all-civilian transitional council, which replaces President Babangida's cabinet. The council will run the government until August 27, when a newly elected civilian president is due to assume power.

## Protest deaths

**Delhi:** At least five people were killed and more than 100 injured when Bangladeshi police fired on a huge Ayodhya mosque protest procession near the border with India.

## Canada shuffle

**Ottawa:** Brian Mulroney, the Canadian prime minister, has reshuffled his cabinet in a move interpreted by some as an indication that he intends to stay on and fight the next federal election, later this year.

## Water cuts

**Madrid:** Seville's 650,000 population will be without water for 12 hours every night from Thursday after the demands of the Expo world fair and one of the worst droughts this century depleted stocks.

## Cyclone terror

**Sydney:** Cyclone Kina was moving east across the South Pacific towards Tonga after killing at least 15 people, with Cyclone Nina, in Fiji and the Solomon Islands in the past two days.

## Puff of death

**London:** Passive smoking, which kills nearly 140,000 people in Europe every year through heart disease and cancers, is the greatest known mass carcinogen in history, a British scientific report has said. *(Reuter)*

## Meatless Mac

**Amsterdam:** McDonald's, the American hamburger chain, has launched its first meatless "veggie burger" made of potatoes, peas, sweetcorn, carrots, onion and spices, at 84 Dutch restaurants. *(Reuter)*

## Bouncing back

**Paris:** A new 70-page monthly magazine, *Rebondir* (Rebound), aimed at France's growing army of unemployed, is on sale packed with tips on job-hunting, training, seasonal work and even a few vacancies. *(Reuter)*

# Moscow appeals for early Clinton summit

FROM JAMIE DETTMER IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT-elect Bill Clinton returned to Little Rock, Arkansas, late on Sunday after a six-day break in South Carolina to begin a transition stretch which will see him name his White House staff and decide on the priorities for his first 100 days in office.

He accepted an invitation from President Yeltsin for a summit and indicated that a meeting could not take place until well after his inauguration on January 20. But Mr Yeltsin telephoned Mr Clinton yesterday and emphasised the need for an early working meeting to avert a pause in practical efforts to implement the Start 2 accord that he and President Bush signed on Sunday. The Interfax agency in Moscow also said Mr Yeltsin promised Mr Clinton to do all he could to ensure the treaty's success.

The president-elect, keen to pre-empt any suggestion that he was snubbing the Russian leader by failing to jump at the suggestion of an "early summit", repeatedly praised Mr Yeltsin for being "genuinely committed" to moving Russia towards a "free and more prosperous economy". He said America had a "big stake" in Mr Yeltsin's success but added that a summit date would "depend in part on the timetable of the Congress and the work I have to do here on the problems in America".

With only 15 days before the inauguration, Mr Clinton's team is clearly keen to try to push back any foreign issues that are not immediately pressing. Armed with policy papers from all his transition planning teams, and with a White House staff to appoint, Mr Clinton has little time now to decide on a definite focus for the crucial early days of his presidency.

The Balkan conflict, the US-led intervention in Somalia and the Middle East peace process are likely to be the only foreign issues to which Mr Clinton will devote much time until he has settled in the Oval Office. He has been careful to avoid meetings with foreign leaders and, to London's dismay, declined to meet John Major last month when he was in Washington for talks with President Bush.

Mr Clinton will, however, meet President Salinas de Gortari of Mexico in Texas on Friday to discuss the North American Free Trade Treaty that Mr Bush signed last summer. The pact, which will eliminate most tariffs and trade restrictions between the United States, Canada and Mexico, needs to be ratified by Congress soon.

Mr Clinton will hold talks with his key aides today about what should be included in his inaugural address. "Whether to include economic specifics in the speech is being debated," an aide said.

There is serious debate in the Clinton camp over the necessity and scope of a package of short-term measures to stimulate the economy. Mr Clinton was recently told by his advisers that the assumptions behind the economic policy on which he campaigned were faulty and that the federal deficit had worsened.

# Honecker trial resumes

FROM MICHAEL BINYON IN BONN

THE trial resumed in Berlin yesterday of Erich Honecker, 80, and three other former East German government officials accused of responsibility for deaths at the Berlin Wall, but was quickly bogged down again in argument over the health of the former communist leader.

His lawyers said his liver cancer had worsened significantly over Christmas and applied for his immediate release, insisting he would not live to see the end of a trial expected to last nine months.

The prosecution again expressed doubts over this claim, suggesting Herr Honecker, who listened pale and silent to details of his physical and mental health, was suffering only from a tape worm. Last week the Berlin high court rejected an appeal for his release but said it was not competent to halt the trial.


Honecker: doubts over "ill-health" persist

# Synagogue attacks add to racist climate

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN PARIS

TWO attacks on French synagogues in recent days, one of them using petrol bombs, have sharpened fears of a further surge of racism in the country.

"Fascist ideas are being born again in France and slogans of the extreme right are corrupting our country," a coalition of anti-racist groups said on Sunday in an appeal for a demonstration in Paris next month. The call followed a spate of racial incidents, mainly targeted against Jewish institutions and North African immigrants.

On New Year's eve, masked men hurled petrol bombs into a synagogue at Villepinte, a Paris suburb. A group called "Pure France" claimed to have staged the attack, police said yesterday. Near Strasbourg, a synagogue was damaged by vandals. Last Tuesday, about 40 Jewish gravestones were destroyed in two cemeteries in Alsace and a monument to wartime deportees was defaced.

Jewish organisations attribute some of the attacks to pro-Palestinian extremists but also point to a resurgence of anti-Semitism, which they see as reflecting increasing tolerance for racist sentiment. Many detected anti-Semitism in the hue and cry against Laurent Fabius, the former prime minister, over his role in the scandal over the supply of HIV-infected blood to haemophiliacs. President Mitterrand compared the right-wing pursuit of M. Fabius to the Dreyfus affair.

Many Jews were offended last week when the government claimed that a police index of Paris Jews, discovered in 1991, had not been used to list Jews for round-ups during the last war, as had been supposed, but was a list of victims of deportation.

The rise in anti-Semitism is part of a general rise in racial resentment, caused partly by fear of unemployment, which is evident in the campaign for March's general elections. A poll last week found the desire to send immigrants "home" was the third most pressing priority among the electorate, after a cut in unemployment and lower income taxes. Last year, Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist leader and mayor of Paris, declared his understanding for residents of depressed suburbs who were "fed up with these noisy, smelly new arrivals, who are often unable to speak French and with four wives each".

The Gaullists and other parties of the opposition right, who are expected to triumph in the elections, have adopted tough policies on immigration. Nicolas Sarkozy, of the Gaullist RPR party, said at the weekend that "the preservation of our way of life and civilisation is at stake".

The far-right National Front wants to encourage all legally resident non-French to "go home" with measures which include cancelling residence permits and barring them from family allowances, council housing and social security. As anti-racist groups point out, the bulk of France's five million residents of North African origin are in fact French citizens.

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# Israelis hunt Arab informer suspected of murdering agent

FROM BEN LYNFIELD IN JERUSALEM AND RICHARD BEESTON IN MARJ AZ-ZAHOUR, LEBANON

ISRAELI authorities were searching yesterday for an Arab informer who apparently turned against his minder in the Shin Bet intelligence agency and killed him, making it the latest bloody encounter between Israel and the Hamas Islamic Resistance Movement, which claimed responsibility last night.

The minder, Haim Nahmani, 29, was stabbed and beaten to death with a hammer at a "safe house" in the Rehavia area of Jewish west Jerusalem on Sunday. Police said that their investigation was focusing on the possibility that Nahmani was killed by two members of Hamas. Israel Radio said that the assailants had taken Nahmani's service pistol and a briefcase containing sensitive files. It said police knew the identity of the attacker, and had arrested several members of his family.

The attack has embarrassed Yitzhak Rabin, the prime minister, who had said only hours earlier that Israel's deportation of 415 fundamentalists to Lebanon had dealt a blow to Hamas and Islamic Jihad, another militant group. The expulsions were in retaliation for the killing of six Israeli soldiers last month.

Shin Bet wields enormous power as the eyes and ears of Israeli rule in the occupied territories. Unlike Mossad, it handles internal intelligence, gathering data through a network of Palestinian collaborators who are often recruited by blackmail, or from criminal elements. It is widely reviled by Arabs, and its informers run the risk of being executed as traitors.

Major General Danny Rothschild, a senior Israeli official in the occupied territories, said that the authorities had anticipated reprisals by Hamas since the deportations. "We were expecting the terrorists' organisations to try to prove they still exist," he said. No one who decided on the deportations imagined the terrorist activity would stop that same day."

Palestinian deportees stranded in their lonely encampment in the foothills of Mount Hermon said yesterday the latest killing proved that Israel had expelled the wrong men. Dr Mahmoud az-Zahar, a surgeon from the Gaza Strip, said that the assassination vindicated the demands by the 415 deported Palestinians to be allowed to return to the occupied territories.

"If Rabin thought he could stop the shootings by kicking out the intellectuals — the doctors, lawyers and engineers — he was wrong," the Palestinian physician said. "We were never involved in military operations in the first place, so our deportation will have no effect. He has left the activists inside and the brains outside."

At least ten and may be several more deportees are known to have been exiled by mistake and the gunmen who perpetrated the actual killings are still at large. Lebanon's refusal to accept the Palestinians has led to worldwide criticism of Israeli actions on both humanitarian and legal grounds.

Although this latest embarrassment from the Israelis brought a measure of hope to the Palestinians, most deportees have become resigned to their plight during their makeshift camp at Marj az-Zahour, a rocky stretch of no man's land between Israeli and Lebanese troops, is destined to become a permanent feature of this lonely landscape. Muhammad Abu Shalbak, 35, an engineer from the West Bank town of Ramallah, said: "I am pretty certain that we will be here for at least another two months, the coldest time of the year. The truth is that we do not have much choice in the matter. We realise that our only hope of returning home is to stay here together as one unit and keep pressuring the Israeli authorities until they let us back."

His pragmatic assessment of the long-term prospects for his fellow deportees seemed to be borne out during an inspection of the camp. It has already been described by Lebanon as the thirteenth Palestinian refugee camp to be established in their country and has even been renamed the "camp of return" by the Palestinians, who had originally named it "camp of speedy return". What began as a struggle by 415 middle-class Palestinian professionals against the cold, hunger and the threat of illness has been transformed into a smoothly run and largely self-sufficient community.

The camp, which is administered by a group of committees covering everything from public relations to rubbish collection, boasts two clinics, three supply tents and 50 accommodation tents. Even though the inmates are supposedly cut off, they receive a steady supply of smuggled food and medicine from sympathetic villagers in three Shia Muslim communities controlled by the militant Islamic Hezbollah group.

"We are well organised and although there are shortages and two serious medical cases that require hospital treatment, we are coping," said Dr az-Zahar, who normally lives with his wife and seven children in a villa near Gaza City. "However, I do not want a new home in a second country, I would be happy just to go back to my own."

## Fight extremism, Arabs are told

Tunis: Egypt and Tunisia yesterday called on Arab countries to unite to fight Muslim extremism.

They urged a conference of Arab interior ministers to forge a security plan to fight "terrorism". Algeria was expected to support the appeal. Muhammad Abdel-Halim Moussa, the Egypt's interior minister, said: "We should commit ourselves ... to protect our religion from those who identify with, and commit, abominable crimes and destruction on behalf of it." *(Reuter)*



Winning way: President Moi inspecting the guard of honour before his inauguration as president in Nairobi yesterday

# Gun failure saves UN man

BY SAM KILEY, AFRICA CORRESPONDENT, AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

ATTACKS on United Nations personnel in Somalia continued in Mogadishu yesterday, but an assassination attempt on a senior UN officer was thwarted when the gun failed to fire.

The incident occurred as informal peace talks among 14 Somali groups opened in Addis Ababa, the Ethiopian capital. An alliance of four groups boycotted the opening, attended by Boutros Boutros Ghali, the UN secretary-general, in protest at his failure to invite three other allied groups. The alliance, dominated by the Darod clans of southern Somalia, later said it would take part. UN officials said, one of the three extra groups could attend.

Of the two main warlords, General Muhammad Farrah Aidid appeared, but his rival, Ali Mahdi Muhammad, sent a representative. The two leaders boycotted last month's UN-sponsored talks. The incident showed the kind of controversy that could disrupt the two days of talks, the largest gathering of warlords since the country began disintegrating two years ago.

In Mogadishu, the attack on the UN officer, which happened after Dr Boutros Ghali fled hundreds of stone-throwing demonstrators, occurred near UN headquarters. Sources said the gunman put his pistol to the officer's head and pulled the trigger but the weapon failed to go off.

At the Addis Ababa conference, President Meles of Ethiopia spoke for most observers when he laid the blame for the famine at the feet of the warlords. "You stand now before the Somali people, the international community and history as the principal engineers of the tragedy in Somalia ... a country that has collapsed before your eyes because of your failure to keep the family quarrel within acceptable limits." He called on clan leaders to implement a ceasefire, establish a national police force, disarm gunmen and establish a national government.

One question not openly discussed was when the American troops would begin withdrawing from Somalia. A French military spokesman said yesterday that the US would be out this month, leaving a UN force of African and Arab soldiers under the command of a Muslim. But Richard Cheney, the American defence secretary, said in Washington yesterday that most US troops would remain beyond January.

# Kenya plays down Moi inauguration

BY SAM KILEY

PRESIDENT Moi was sworn in for a fourth term as president of Kenya at a furtive ceremony in Nairobi yesterday after multiparty elections gave him a wide lead over opposition candidates.

The event was played down in an attempt to heal political and tribal wounds from the elections, which had threatened widespread violence. At his State House inauguration, President Moi vowed to put past political differences behind him. "I shall serve all Kenyans, and I mean all Kenyans, with dedication and humility for the development and prosperity of our people."

Although the three main opposition parties have threatened to withdraw from politics over allegations of election rigging and intimidation, most Kenyans were anxious yesterday that the parties take up their seats in the 200-member parliament and establish a loyal and strong opposition.

Mr Moi, the leader of the Kenya African National Union, took 1,930,534 votes in last Tuesday's election. Kenneth Matiba, of the opposition Forum for the Restoration of Democracy (Ford)-Asili, his closest rival, won 1,402,069. Mwai Kibaki, of the Democratic Party, polled 1,012,569 and Oginga Odinga, of Ford-Kenya, received 914,550 votes.

The three opposition leaders were meeting yesterday afternoon to discuss their strategy. Most diplomats have urged the opposition to accept the results.

# China warns Hong Kong of hardship

FROM JAMES PRINGLE IN HONG KONG

A SENIOR Chinese official has said that Hong Kong people may face "a lot of hardship" if Chris Patten, the governor, persists in pushing political reform.

Lu Ping, the director of Peking's Hong Kong and Macau affairs office, and the governor's chief Chinese adversary, said the Sino-British relationship was "not good" and in order for there to be an improvement, Mr Patten should withdraw his political package proposed in October. Mr Lu told a television station in the colony: "Hong Kong is not an independent political entity and is therefore hardly likely to survive if it confronts China. If Hong Kong is to confront China, Hong Kong people may have to face a lot of hardship."

He noted that Hong Kong officials had already said the administration was ready to implement Mr Patten's proposals if they won the Legislative Council's backing, and said Mr Lu said this showed Britain was ready to accept that the constitutional changes would not converge with the political system outlined in the Basic Law, China's mini-constitution for the territory, and the Sino-British joint declaration. "This forces us to take action," he said.

In a more conciliatory vein, Mr Lu said Peking was ready to approve all minor contracts straddling 1997, the year Hong Kong returns to Chinese rule. At the end of November, Peking had threatened not to recognise business contracts and franchises signed by the Hong Kong administration but not approved by Peking.

Mr Lu's comments cast doubts on whether Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, and Qian Qichen, his Chinese counterpart, will hold a six-monthly meeting in March.

☐ **Taipei:** President Lee Teng-hui of Taiwan urged China yesterday to imitate the island's democratic reforms, saying this would speed progress towards the reunification of Taiwan with the mainland. "The road we are taking today is the road that the whole of China will inevitably take in the future," he told the national assembly. He urged China to stop trying to prevent it from expanding international ties. *(Reuter)*

# South Africans seek democracy formula

FROM MICHAEL HAMLYN IN JOHANNESBURG

POLITICAL bargaining begins again this week in South Africa as the government and its black opponents attempt to meet their deadlines for the installation of an elected multiracial administration. At the same time, the death toll from the violence ravaging the country continues to rise, particularly in the black townships and villages of Natal.

In the Eastern Cape yesterday, a bomb destroyed a farm store near Patensie owned by one of the few whites there who is a prominent member of the African National Congress. It is thought the bombing may be linked with white attacks carried out in revenge for the terror campaign of the Azanian People's Liberation Army, the armed wing of the Pan Africanist Congress.

The political talks will take the form of bilateral meetings between the government, the ANC and the Zulu-based Inkatha Freedom Party. The aim is to lay the groundwork for a multilateral negotiation session between all the interested parties by the end of next month. The round resumes this week when President de Klerk meets the Concerned South Africans Group, whose members are Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, chief minister of KwaZulu and Inkatha president, the leaders of two other black homelands, Brigadier Oupa Gqozo of Ciskei and President Lucas Mangope of Bophuthatswana, and the right-wing white Conservative Party and its breakaway faction, the Afrikaner Volksunie.

Mr de Klerk is hoping he can explain to them they have nothing to fear from the deals being made between Pretoria and the ANC, and that they go no further than the accords made at the negotiations of the Convention for a Democratic South Africa before they broke up last year.

The ANC and Inkatha have now established subcommittees to examine their points of disagreement, and are expected to report back next week at a full negotiating session in Durban. The most contentious issue they will be examining is the demand for free political activity in KwaZulu. It is hoped that next week's session will set a date for a summit between Chief Buthelezi and Nelson Mandela, the ANC president.

# Young ride Ho Chi Minh trail to riches

FROM JOANNA PITMAN IN HANOI

WITH his French linen shirt, his Italian suede shoes and his hand-tooled pigskin briefcase, Lu Nam Bien looks every inch the successful international businessman. He pulls back the sleeve of his cashmere jacket to show his favourite Rolex. On his other arm is his girlfriend, resplendent in long black satin gloves and designer jumpsuit.

Mr Bien, 28, is one of the new breed of capitalists unleashed by the Vietnamese Communist party's reforms of the past six years. He is an entrepreneur, dealing mainly in property in the booming Ho Chi Minh City, who has only vague memories of the decades convulsed by war and famine.

For a decade after unification in 1975, Vietnam lay torpid, growing steadily weaker and hungrier under an authoritarian Communist regime. But the nation was awakened six years ago when the party introduced *doi moi*, the local version of perestroika: a programme of dramatic economic renovation. There is no shortage of admiring foreign visitors in Hanoi, who believe that, a generation from now, Vietnam could be fulfilling a role as Southeast Asia's most dynamic economic dragon.

*Doi moi* has brought about a marked improvement in people's welfare. From Vietnam's post-unification nadir, when almost a third of the population was




suffering from absolute poverty, the vast majority now have a sustainable lifestyle and many inner cities are moving into relative wealth.

Visitors to Ho Chi Minh City, formerly Saigon, are greeted with economic boom. The streets are clogged with traffic, shops are packed with foreign goods and avid customers, and restaurants, the markets and nightclubs are buzzing. Homes, offices and factories are being built as fast as possible. Outside the cities, sweeping rural reforms, dismantling the collectives, have sharply raised incomes for the 75 per cent of the population that lives on the land.

But society is already experiencing ferment as a result of growing wealth differentials. While the average Vietnamese earns £132 a year, city entrepreneurs are making thousands, and the gap will in the short term be exacerbated by increasing foreign investment and the development of the cities.

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Seven years after a *Times* campaign successfully brought schizophrenia into the public eye, how far have we come?

# Reminder of the forgotten illness

ON DECEMBER 16, 1985, *The Times* launched a campaign on schizophrenia entitled "The Forgotten Illness". It had three aims: to sweep away the secrecy associated with schizophrenia, to stimulate research into the disease, and to stem the disaster about to hit the country after the 1983 Mental Health Act which sought to minimise institutionalised care and to discharge the mentally ill into "community care".

The campaign provoked thousands of readers' letters showing the extent of the illness and the suffering it caused, to families of schizophrenics as well as schizophrenia sufferers themselves. The writer of the series, Marjorie Wallace, was made Campaigning Journalist of the Year for her "outstanding series of articles", and the campaign led to the formation, in 1986, of Schizophrenia: A National Emergency (Sane), a charity aiming to raise awareness and to fund research.

Seven years after *The Times* campaign began, Sane feels that it has gone some way to making schizophrenia and other serious mental illnesses more understandable to the public, and that its greatest achievement is the opening of Saneline, a telephone helpline launched in May last year to offer support and practical advice to sufferers and their families. A research centre for schizophrenia and depression is being planned in Oxford but £1.75 million is still needed to meet the £6 million target of an appeal launched by the Prince of Wales, Sane's patron, in May 1991. The King of Saudi Arabia has already pledged £1.75 million.

But the disaster predicted in 1985 has not been prevented. More seriously ill and institutionalised patients are being thrust on to community services unable to cope with them. Less care is being provided for the mentally ill discharged into the "community", which in practice is to families who are often ill-equipped financially and emotionally to cope.

Many former patients still end up on the streets — it has been estimated that 40 per cent of Britain's homeless are mentally ill. There are still sufferers who receive no supervision, no medical treatment and who cannot gain admission to hospital.

This week, following the case of Ben Silcock, the 27-year-old schizophrenic who was mauled by a lion at London Zoo, the health secretary, Virginia Bottomley, announced that she is to hold talks aimed at reforming the Mental Health Act. In particular, she is concerned with patients who abandon treatment after leaving hospital care.

Sane has welcomed this review but believes that what is needed urgently is a reverse of the trend towards community care without professional back up, the provision of the support and medical care that families and sufferers need, and the halting of the closure of psychiatric units.

"It was as though, untested, the government decided to put this concept all, community care, into the way supply in the vague hope that it would be the answer to everything, from mi anxiety to chronic psychotic disorde such as schizophrenia," says Marjor Wallace, now Sane's chief executive.

"For ten years we have spoken o about the dangers of forcing community care policies on to communities which are ill-equipped to cope or car



Recording the pain: Marjorie Wallace, author of *The Times* series

## Families in the grip of despair

*MANY families lived in fear of their schizophrenic relatives. One professional family in west London left food out on the doorstep for their son who slept rough. They dared not open the door. A widow in Southampton stayed in the dark every evening in case her 40-year-old son turned up, beat at the door and threatened her for money.*

These were some of the stories I heard in 1985 when, at the beginning of *The Times* campaign, I interviewed 75 families of schizophrenics and sufferers from all parts of Britain. Psychiatrists, general practitioners, hospital administrators, directors of social services, community nurses and social workers all talked to me about the problems they faced caring for schizophrenics, as did the charities that picked up their failures.

But the most moving stories were those I was told by parents, husbands, wives, sisters or brothers who had sometimes spent 20 years or more in the daily anguish of watching a member of their family disintegrate in front of their eyes, realising that they could do nothing to stop it.

A 70-year-old widow in Redruth, Cornwall, was so terrified of her son's assaults on her that she was forced to take out a private summons against him for "grievous bodily harm", although the shame of doing so was as painful as the bruises he inflicted.

People who suffer from schizophrenia are not always aggressive: the majority are gentle and mild, but their disturbed perceptions can turn them against those members of the family who are closest to them. Yet these caring relatives are the very people who receive little comfort, advice or help from the health or social services.

The loneliness and horror of their experiences would make anyone want to cry in pity. As I visited homes, from the most privileged to the poorest, I felt like a war correspondent in peacetime England, reporting on the heartbreak of the bereaved and displaced. The plight of the schizophrenics and their families is a tragedy.

Andrew, who had broken down when he was taking his post-graduate degree, wandered the streets much of the day and night. "I feel a heavy black pressure as though one half of my brain is in darkness," he said.

The symptoms of schizophrenia are most unpleasant for the victim, but he or she is often shielded, by the nature of the illness itself, from the full realisation of what has happened. For the families there is no such protection. "It's like continual bereavement," Andrew's mother said. "The loss of your son's potential, the pain he goes through and the way people lose interest when he doesn't get better."

For many parents of schizophrenics it is a lifetime's disappointment. John had lived with his schizophrenic daughter for 30 years. She was 21 and a university graduate when she suffered her first breakdown. When I met him his daughter was in her fifties, living a lonely, shattered life. "I don't know if she knows what she suffers from," her father said. "If I ever say anything about her, she becomes angry and tries to start a row. She is normally so apathetic, it seems to help. She could have been a beautiful woman, she had such a pretty face. Now she looks drab and disorderly. It's difficult to love someone whose feelings seem so dead."

Even that was better than Ann's ordeal with her son Angus. He had repeated breakdowns from the age of 16 and became increasingly violent. "He made us his prisoners in our own house and there was nothing we could do about it," Ann said. "Neither the doctors nor the social worker would put him into hospital against his will. It was only after he had buried me across the room that the doctors believed me and he was admitted."

The family cannot win. If they seek help for their disturbed relative, they are often told by doctors that they are being overprotective and that unsatisfactory family relationships are to blame. But if they close the door on their son or daughter, they not only risk his or her suicide but are also accused of neglect.

The drugs, which quell the more "florid" symptoms of the disease, such as hallucinations, make it possible for people to live outside in the family. But often the sufferer dislikes the side-effects and stops taking the drugs. The risk of relapse is high, crises occur and there is no one to help.

Moira, a frail 71-year old widow, lived in a gaunt house on the outskirts of Stirling. In the Scottish tradition, she was not a woman who liked to seek help and she coped with three of her sons' schizophrenia almost entirely on her own. Charlie, her second son, was 35, and had suffered a breakdown after he graduated in civil engineering at Glasgow University. He had not worked since then. Three years later his younger twin brothers became similarly ill.

The three men, all in their thirties, sat in her living roo They were all shaking, ill deluded and aggressive. Each was playing loud music on casett players, sometimes in opposition to each other. They quarrelled over the car keys and threate their mother when she protested.

Moira did not dare to talk i front of them. "Why do you treat your mother like this?" I asked Charlie. "Because I hate her." "Why do you hate her? He turned the volume of his casset louder. "Because she flatend the earth."



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The tragedy of schizophrenia: keeping patients in the community can tear their fam

## When freedom is a life sentenc

In the first of a three-part investigation into schizophrenia, Marjorie Wallace reveals the burdens placed on the relatives who are forced to care for the victims

The forgotten illness

Schizophrenia, the forgotten illness, affects more than a quarter of a million people in Britain. It is not a "split mind", as it is commonly and wrongly defined; a better definition is bouts of mental anguish or insanity. It is one of the most frightening and disabling conditions which a human being can experience. We do not know what causes schizophrenia, nor how to cure it. But attitudes towards mental illness have changed completely since the 1959 Mental Health Act. Before then, schizophrenics were regarded as mad, and conveniently locked away in the mental apartheid of the asylums. Since 1959 the doors have been opened and 67,000 inmates have been sent out into the community.

For many, especially those who were hospitalized for the wrong reasons, lives have been transformed. But some are too ill to fend for themselves and the community does not yet provide adequate facilities to care for them. It is a tragedy of our times that there is nowhere for them to go. Some lead miserable lives in sordid boarding houses. Some are on the streets. Others may be put back with their families, whose lives they destroy. It is not an illness which attracts either much public support or sympathy.

Should having a schizophrenic relative be a life sentence for the entire family? *The Times* investigates the tragedy of schizophrenia in a series of three articles starting today.

Imagine a disease that fills nearly a quarter of the hospital beds in Britain: an illness which strikes down young people, mostly in their late teens and early twenties and destroys their lives at the peak of their promise, and from which two thirds never fully recover.

Imagine a disease which afflicts one in a hundred people at some time in their lives; most of them trying to live in the community, on the streets, in hostels or bed and breakfast places. About a third of our entire population suffer from its [illegible] for minor [illegible] the illness, [illegible] some [illegible] worst in the care offered to mentally sick — from locked wards in the old asylums to modern chaise flats and lodgings in the community.

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Boy who thought that he could fly

Shedding new light on a dark world: in December 1985 *The Times* schizophrenia campaign published the fruits of an in-depth investigation by Marjorie Wallac

## Living in fear of a daughter's next tormented phone call

*ONE of the families Marjorie Wallace interviewed for* The Times *campaign was Marilyn and Alan Lazarus and their daughter Lorraine, diagnosed as a schizophrenic in 1984. This is their story then, and now:*

Lorraine Lazarus is a beautiful woman, well-educated, and much loved by her family. Her father, Alan, is a professional man in a north London practice. Her mother Marilyn, who is extremely close to her daughter, keeps house for the family.

But in 1986, when I first met them, Lorraine was not allowed to visit. In fact, the family had set her up in a flat of her own and taken out an injunction to keep her away. Her dependence on her mother was so strong that she could neither with her nor without her. Lorraine had assaulted Marilyn on several occasions, hurting her quite badly.

Alan and Marilyn were caught in a tragic double bind: the more they tried to help their daughter, the more helpless they became. Doctors, psychiatrists and counsellors advised them that they must sever contact with Lorraine, while neighbours, police, even complete strangers who found her in distress, accused them of neglect and begged them to take her home.

Marilyn spent black days and nights agonising over what had happened since Lorraine first began to act strangely eight years before. She dreaded the sound of the telephone, knowing it would be another cry for help from the exiled, tormented girl, so the family used an answering machine to intercept the calls. One day earlier that month Alan had got up early and played back the tape.

"Dad it's me. I don't feel very well. I don't know what to do. I've gone insane and everything. I need you and Mum very badly. Tell me what to do. I want to come home. You've got to pick me up straight away."

It was Lorraine's usual kind of message — anguish mixed with threat and manipulation. A second message followed, more pathetic than the first. "I'm not crying or anything, I'm just a bit worried. I can't carry on."

An hour later, while Alan was dressing upstairs, there was a crash of splintering glass. He ran down to find Lorraine climbing in through the shattered living room window. Marilyn rang the police.

Lorraine calmed down, made herself a cup of tea and went to look at her old room, now sad and empty, because her bed and all her possessions were transferred to the flat. A few minutes later the police arrived and took her to Hendon magistrates court to be bound over to keep the peace. Alan knew she would be released and sent back to the flat, just as depressed as before and without receiving the help she needed. In despair, he decided to apply for a summons for criminal damage.

"It's a terrible thing to take out a summons against the child you love with all your heart," he said. "But she has been in and out of hospital for seven years. No treatment worked. She is getting no medical treatment now. We need help." Lorraine refused to agree to the terms of being bound over and was sentenced to three weeks' imprisonment in Holloway.

Arrangements were made for her to go to Shenley Psychiatric Hospital, Hertfordshire, afterwards, but the staff were reluctant to have her back (she had taken herself in and out of there three times in the previous month). On the morning of her release from prison, the family was told that a mistake had been made and no bed was available at the hospital.

So within hours Lorraine, carrying her suitcase, was back outside her parents' house shouting, and banging on the door.

Lorraine was a slight, shy girl of 17 when she first showed signs of mental instability. "We were having a family Sunday lunch," Marilyn recalled. "Lorraine ran upstairs to her room, screaming with a pain in her head. She was breathing fast and looking as though she were in a fit. We called a doctor who sedated her." From then on Lorraine behaved strangely, sometimes haranguing her mother and at other times following her around like a frightened, lost child.

Lorraine was taken to a series of psychiatrists, each referring her on to a colleague, and she became a patient in several psychiatric hospitals. She has been diagnosed variously as suffering from "endogenous depression", "phobic anxiety", "identity crisis" and "episodic discontrol". She had been treated with anti-psychotic drugs, anti-depressants, and electric shock therapy.

At the end of 1984 she was admitted to the Bethlem Royal Hospital near Beckenham, Kent, and was diagnosed and treated as a schizophrenic. Just before Christmas the next yearBarnet General Hospital, where Lorraine was now a patient, withdrew medication and she seemed to improve. In a final bid for normal life, Lorraine and her parents signed a "contract" of reasonable behaviour and she returned home. But within days, the contract was broken and this time it was Marilyn who was taken to hospital in a state of collapse. On Christmas Day Lorraine was made to move into a flat of her own.

Today Lorraine, now 31, is living at home with her parents and has been for the last two years. For the past five years the family has had an "excellent" doctor who they feel really understands schizophrenia. It was this doctor who got Lorraine admitted to Northwick Park Hospital, Harrow, five years ago and detained there in a psychiatric ward for three years. She was not locked in but to her parents relief she was highly supervised and received anti-psychotic medication.

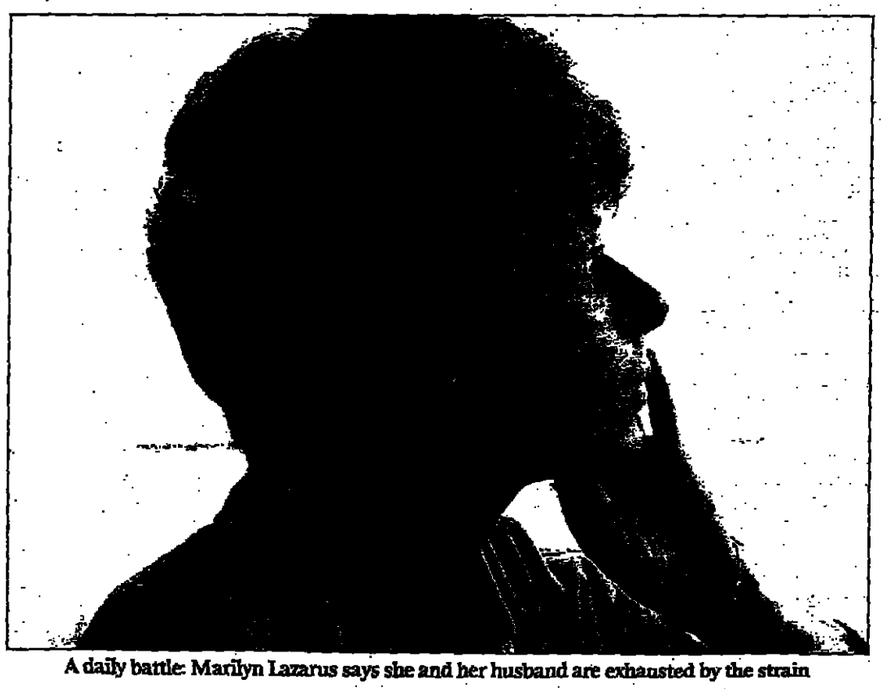
Before admission she had been first in a mental health hostel and then a local authority bed and breakfast, where she received no treatment and no medication. When her parents took the doctor to see her in the bed and breakfast accommodation, he managed to get her admitted to the hospital immediately, she was sectioned (detained under the Mental Health Act) about a month later.

After she had been there 18 months, she was put on a new drug which totally changed her behaviour. "She became much more normal over a period of months and when we saw how she was responding we brought her home for a day, then overnight and then a weekend," her mother says. But her parents emphasise that their decision to have her at home was simply in preference to seeing her transferred to a locked ward on a long-stay hospital. "She could not stay in an acute ward for ever I used to go to the health department and beg them to let her stay whe she was," her mother says. "Sectioning was renewed every six months, we were fighting all the time to keep her in hospital."

How does it feel to have Lorrai living at home? "It is a miracle th she ever came home again. She's not psychotic, but she is very hard to live with, she is very repetitive an exhibits compulsive behaviour. We have a battle every day to make h get up. We live in a small flat an and we are both absolutely worn a frazzle. We have to tell her ev place we go, she cannot bear alone, it is like having a ba someone has to remain with h We do not know what it is to hav weekend away. She went in hospital for a week last year becau we were so exhausted. She needs be in a good, supportive hostel b such a thing does not exist."

The Lazaruses have formed th own charity, the Jewish Associati for the Mentally Ill (Jami), wh runs a drop-in day centre once a week and which aims to to open a hostel if it can get funding. Th experience tells them that a community treatment order as Virginia Bottomley may now suggest (to enforce medication on patients who have been shown to be improved by it, or to recall them to hospital to have it) are essential for patients such as Lorraine.

● *Saneline (071-724 8000) is open from 4pm till midnight Mondays to Thursdays, 6pm to midnight on Fridays and 2pm to midnight on weekends and public holidays. It is staffed by trained volunteers backed up by co-ordinators.*



A daily battle: Marilyn Lazarus says she and her husband are exhausted by the strain

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Home may no longer be where the mortgage is — will government encouragement make renting the fashionable, rational option?

# Tendency towards tenancy

Is Britain set to become a rent-collecting democracy? Necessity has created more landlords, since those who cannot sell their properties often have to let. On the other side of the rent book, young families and single professionals who until recently would have viewed renting as a poor second to buying, are having a change of heart.

Renting is becoming the done thing — a "rational, sensible option", as John Birch, deputy chairman of Association of Residential Letting Agents (Arla), puts it. Buying, in a recession, is increasingly being seen as too great a risk.

The government is seeking to encourage the trend towards renting. Last weekend the first part of a new plan to rejuvenate the private rentals market was unveiled by Sir George Young, the housing minister.

The plan will inject £1.25 million into creating 30 new housing associations over the next three years. These will, the government hopes, act as managers for more than 10,000 additional privately owned properties. Having housing associations take on the routine tasks of landlordship will, Sir George hopes, remove one of the current disincentives to many would-be landlords.

These disincentives mean that in Britain, the private rented sector represents only 7 per cent of the housing stock — a meagre percentage compared with Germany, for instance, where 45 per cent of homes are rented privately.

The second part of the government initiative is the package of incentives for landlords, expected some time this year. An increase in capital allowances is likely, Neville Lee, the chairman of Arla, estimates that a 4 per cent increase in capital allowances would give landlords a rise in yield of about 1.5 per cent. Further tax concessions are also likely, including "sideways relief", whereby a landlord can offset losses on a rented property against any other business, and a suspension of capital gains tax on property bought for letting.

Nothing significant is on the cards for tenants, however. The phasing out of Mortgage Interest Relief at Source (Miras), which Mr Lee believes to be "the most inequitable piece of housing subsidy we have", would go a long way to encouraging more households to rent; but no such move can be anticipated by a government which is ideologically committed to the principle of a home-owning nation.

Those who stand to gain from the government's current initiative are would-be professional landlords who have been financially discouraged from letting in the past. A package of tax incentives would also help owners who are letting to cover the cost of the mortgage on a property that they cannot sell.

An influx of new property for rent would help those people who might have bought during the 1980s, but are now discovering the advantages of renting: increased mobility, lower up-front costs, fewer formalities, a greater disposable income, and no risk of being caught in the negative equity trap with a house worth less than the mortgage on it.

It is not difficult to envisage a situation where the average age of private tenants creeps upwards, as more of them postpone their first-time purchase until they reach their thirties. As John Birch points out, this is common in France, where 30 per cent of housing is privately rented.

If the current shift in attitude towards renting takes root, then we may eventually view the matter in the same light as young people on the Continent, who regard the practice of rushing from the parental home to a mortgage as exceedingly odd.

DOUG MARKE



Happily off the housing ladder: Suzanne and Lee Gregory have chosen to spend their savings on Sam, their son, and on improving their rented home

## BRITAIN: CHOOSING TO RENT

Lee and Suzanne Gregory, who live with their one-year-old son Sam in a rented cottage in the village of Tideswell, Derbyshire, are quite happy to rent. The Gregorys, both in their early twenties, have lived in the property since autumn 1991.

The common perception in Britain is that families who rent their properties are those who cannot buy. While it is true that many people who have never owned a house are unable to do so, it does not necessarily follow that all tenants are dissatisfied would-be property-buyers just waiting for their chance.

The Gregorys are in no hurry to acquire a mortgage. Although renting was their only financial option at first, they have felt no subsequent desire to get onto the property ladder despite having been able to save "quite a lot".

Instead, they have spent their excess cash on the rented house, and on their child. "Because renting is so much cheaper than buying here, we've been able to make a comfortable home far more quickly than we could have done if we'd bought," Mrs Gregory says.

A fitted kitchen, central heating, and the conversion of the attic into a bedroom are some of the improvements they have made — all evidence that the couple envisages staying put for some time. "We feel the tenancy is secure," Mr Gregory says. "We could stay here indefinitely."

If they did move, they would almost certainly rent again. They reason that in the current economic climate buying property is something of a gamble. "The uncertainty of the property market means that even if we were not settled here we wouldn't consider buying," says Mr Gregory, who works with his father in the family-owned decorating business.

Mrs Gregory agrees: "The idea of being saddled with so much debt is off-putting. If there was not enough work for Lee, we could manage the rent, but may not be able to keep up a mortgage."

The risk of repossession, and the horror stories of people who never thought it could happen to them, lead the Gregorys to conclude that a long lease at a manageable rent provides greater security of tenure than buying a home.

At the same time, renting allows the Gregorys greater freedom, since they do not have the problem of selling up if they do decide to move; and the rented house is not a burden during occupation. "If something goes wrong with the building," Mrs Gregory says, "we don't have the worry of putting it right."

She and her husband are aware that in the long-run, they could lose out by remaining in rented property. They realise that their home-owning peers will pay a reducing proportion of their income as mortgage, while they themselves will be paying inflation-linked rent and have no property asset at the end.

They, however, are unruffled by such a prospect. A steady supply of disposable income and a hassle-free existence is preferable, they believe, to "slogging yourself to death for years to pay a mortgage". The promise of better times to come which might have driven them to slog is not, in their book, an odds-on certainty.

If they change their minds, they are still saving and have acquired many belongings to take to a new home. In the meantime, they do not believe, as more reluctant tenants often do, that money paid in rent is wasted. "I consider paying rent to be just a fact of life," Mrs Gregory says. "We are paying to live in this house. I don't think that's money down the drain."

DAWN SMITH

## GERMANY: A NATION OF TENANTS



Long-term tenants: Cornelia and Heinz Puff-Hippchen and family

Heinz and Cornelia Puff-Hippchen, aged 36 and 37, of Bonn, are a relatively affluent professional couple with two small daughters and a joint taxable income of about £40,000 a year. He is a computer adviser with his own business, a full-time staff of four, two part-timers and the occasional freelancer. She is a chemist who works part-time in a dispensary and also helps her husband with his book-keeping, as well as doing the same for a tax consultant.

On the face of it, they could well afford to buy a house, although doing so in Germany requires the buyer to provide 20 to 30 per cent of the capital. But, like 60 per cent of all Germans, they live, completely without social stigma, in rented accommodation — a five-roomed apartment in a three-family house in Beuel, a suburb of Bonn across the Rhine from the city itself. They have lived there for eight years under an open-ended lease, pay £298 rent a month, including central heating, and have no immediate plans to buy their own property.

The apartment has become a trifle crowded since the children, Laura, now four, and one-year-old Clara arrived. But the couple is happy. "We haven't bought a house so far because we did not want to saddle ourselves with high mortgage payments," Frau Puff-Hippchen says. "But we are saving to buy something later and we'll probably make a serious financial plan in about two years."

When they moved in, the rent was £180 a month, exclusive of heating costs, and has gone up in line with general increases in the Bonn area. Their landlord has not taken advantage of a law that allows rent increases of up to 30 per cent every three years.

Their open-ended lease is not unusual, although a *Mietvertrag* (rental contract) in Germany most often has a fixed term of from one to five years. Tenants are also required to pay *Nebenkosten* (literally, side costs) for municipal street cleaning and rubbish collection, and the landlord's insurance against storm and water damage.

At the housing ministry in Bonn, a spokesman said that in Europe only Switzerland was comparable to Germany for its low level of home ownership. "We, too, are puzzled by the fact that the majority of Germans — who are on average better off than, say, the British — choose to live in rented accommodation," he says. "Perhaps it's a question of mentality. Someone should do a survey on it one day."

JOHN ENGLAND

## THE CONSEQUENCES OF OWNERSHIP

Ever since the first pioneer staked his claim to a patch of land on the Great Plains, home ownership has been a central part of the American Dream. That home-owning dream lives on: a poll conducted by *The New York Times* found that 84 per cent of Americans agree with the statement, "Buying a home is the best long-term investment in the United States".

Coco and Kevin Martinez, for example, would agree. They have rented the same apartment in Manhattan since they were married a decade ago — but still they want to own their own home. They live with their two daughters, Natasha, ten, and Alexandra, six.

"It's the dream ultimately, even for us, to think that somewhere down the road we will own a home outside the city," says Mrs Martinez, 43, a housewife and artist who was brought up in the suburbs. "Most everyone you know thinks they would eventually live outside the city and have a home. My friends and relatives cannot grasp why we are still in the city," she says. "But we like city life."

With a family income of about £43,000 a year, Mr and Mrs Martinez could probably afford to buy if they saved up for the deposit. But they prefer their £530-a-month apartment in a high-rise building in the trendy TriBeCa area near Wall Street. To live in similar style, in a two-bedroom apartment with separate living room, dining room, kitchen and terrace with spectacular river views, would cost "an enormous amount of money" in New York if they were to buy their own place, according to Mrs Martinez.

"My husband's brother bought a house recently," she says. "He has a good job and his wife works and it was certainly a stretch for them. You have to pay closing fees, the lawyer, the mortgage. It's a stretch for anyone."

A "stretch" or not, census figures show that 64 per cent of Americans own the property they live in. But the ownership dream has begun to be tarnished, the victim of hard times and a post-war baby boom generation that prefers not to settle down.

"After increasing in every decade from 1940 to 1980, the home-ownership rate for all households dropped from 65.6 per cent in 1980 to 63.9 per cent in 1989," the Census Bureau reported in a recent study. Census figures show that America's 34 million renters pay a higher proportion of their income for accommodation than homeowners.

JAMES BONE



Happy high-risers: the Martinez family rents a Manhattan apartment

# Knocking back the spirit of Yugoslavia

British liaison officers serving in Bosnia regard sharing obligatory early morning slugs of slivovitz plum brandy with Bosnian commanders as a chore, according to yesterday's *Times* Diary. This would surely bring wry smiles to those men who survived another war in a similar capacity in the former Yugoslavia. Then strong waters of all kinds were taken in the name of duty.

Stalwarts such as Sir Fitzroy Maclean, now in his eighties, sent to head the British mission to Yugoslavia during the second world war, found himself downing "round after round of pink vanilla-brandy" soon after parachuting into the country. As Sir Fitzroy was introduced to Marshal Tito, the leader of the Communist partisans, "a sentry ... brought a bottle of plum brandy and poured it out. We emptied our glasses ... after a couple of rounds of plum brandy we were deep in conversation," Sir Fitzroy wrote.

Sir Winston Churchill later sent his son, Randolph, and Evelyn Waugh, the novelist, to join the British mission. Randolph's excessive consumption of *rakija* (a word which can be applied by peoples of the former Yugoslav republic to any spirit), was documented by Waugh. During the winter of 1944, "some escaping allied prisoners of war who had been told that at Topusko they would reach a British military mission commanded by the prime minister's son, were bewildered at what they found: Randolph Churchill in bed, a cigar in one hand and a glass of *rakija* in the other, reading Lord Birkenhead's very large family bible".

Apparently, the modern officer does not even *like* slivovitz. Has he gone soft? Frankly, it is a taste easily acquired. Anyone with fond memories of travelling in the former Yugoslavia during happier times must call to mind a bottle of slivovitz or perhaps lozovaca (the latter always sold in the bars of Adriatic passenger ferries as "good for the stomach" amid rolling seas). In Slav lands, these fiery spirits are almost the equivalent of the offer of a cup of tea in Britain. Our Boys in Bosnia are said to have discovered that refusal, even at 6am, often offends.

> Why a soldier should swallow a slug of slivovitz

Slivovitz was certainly good enough at an early hour for the writer, Dame Rebecca West, to enjoy during her two visits throughout Yugoslavia in the 1930s, documented in her classic account of those travels, *Black Lamb and Grey Falcon*.

As early as page 69 of the first volume, Dame Rebecca and her party stopped in a little town and went "into the hotel and warmed ourselves with plum brandy which is the standard odd-time drink in Yugoslavia".

The modern British liasion officers in Bosnia are reportedly closing their eyes, thinking of England and knocking it back in one go or getting away with a sip. Did none of them think to read the excellent (but of course sadly outdated) *Companion Guide to Jugoslavia* by J. A. Cuddon? "Few Jugoslavs have breakfast," reveals the author. "They content themselves with a cup of black coffee, usually Turkish, and perhaps a glass of Slivovitz."

That sounds like the Yugoslavs I know. It is still hard to consider them as Serbs or Croats, having met them all in Tito and post-Tito years when (how totally wrong can one be?) propaganda seemed to have done its work in smothering 1,000 years of enmities in two generations. When I picture my friends as they were, they always have full glasses in their hands, having placed one in mine. Often we are in the fishing village of Milna on the island of Hvar, two hours by boat from the now refugee-packed city of Split.

Milna had one restaurant. There, I have accepted the offer from the owners of a free slivovitz aperitif. After the food, I have accepted a slivovitz digestif. I may even have taken one of the restaurant's travaricas, a grape spirit flavoured with local herbs. The 1½-hour post-lunch walk returning to Hvar town passed in a flash.

My duty free bottles of slivovitz are empty now. If the liaison officers care to include the nectar that they cannot knock back themselves in their kit when their task is done, my preference is for Zmaj Od Bosne Gradacac Extra (40 per cent). That's if the plums were harvested in a pause from war last autumn.

BARBARA JACKSON

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## Lynne Truss

**■ Cheer up! Even agony aunts need some personal problems to practise on**

I know it's awful, but over the past week I have had to resist this terrible urge to write to Marje Proops and give her a word of advice. "Dear Loveless Marriage," I want to write, "Do not feel guilty about the affair you had, or your sexual rejection of your husband, or keeping it a secret all these years. Actually it makes everyone feel great to know that agony aunts have marital problems they cannot solve; it is like finding out that the Chancellor of the Exchequer forgets to pay his Access bills, it cheers us up immensely. I mean it. 'Blimey, look who's talking,' we can say now with a gay laugh when you dole out advice, in that wonderful generous spirit that is so characteristically British. So remember, look on the bright side. Or to put it another way, look at the doughnut, not the hole! All right? Chin up. Yours, Miss Lonelyhearts."

Actually, if I am strictly honest, Marje Proops's private life is not something I care much about. It's the "Physician, how come *you're* so sick then?" element that fascinates me; the feet-of-clay syndrome. If you should never consult doctors whose office plants have died, should you (by the same token) listen to intimate advice from someone whose marriage was a self-confessed dog's breakfast? The habit of discrediting people's authority at the first glimpse of a clay toenail-clipping grows increasingly automatic. If Mrs Proops's marriage was not happy, therefore, we gleefully jump to all sorts of unfounded conclusions about the quality of her advice. We gawp, moreover, at the magnificent irony, that she was the one person in Britain who could not write to the *Mirror's* famous problem page, to get herself sorted out.

Yet at the same time it makes perfect sense for a person whose profession is problem-solving to retain a few pet problems of her own. Otherwise, she would be giving everyone else the benefit of her talents, without employing them herself, in the evenings. A swizz, surely. I mean, if her gift lay elsewhere — say, in car maintenance — you would not be surprised if she kept a hopeless old Triumph Herald on blocks in the garage, to tinker with, after work. Nothing odd about that. If you are a woman who likes getting her hands greasy, where would be the satisfaction of running a trouble-free motor, whose bonnet you never need open? I wonder nobody thought of this, incidentally, when the Chancellor's Access bills were in the public eye; that he might have been juggling his personal debts not through incompetence but simply to keep in practice.

But to return to Mrs Proops, the point about advice, anyway, is that it is only good for one thing: passing on. It goes from hand to hand like a baton in a relay race; sitting down with it and forging a lasting relationship is a highly unattractive option. Marje Proops, of all people, must know this. In fact, the moment you imagine your advice has intrinsic value, you are in deep trouble: because first, no one will accept it without a protracted fight, which is frustrating; and second, once it is formulated in your mind, it will allow of no variations, which is boring. Personally, I have just two bits of standard advice, viz, "Leave him", and "Get a car", and although I always try to make them sound fresh, I know they get monotonous. I persist in my mission only because, long ago, someone tirelessly reiterated precisely the same things to me at daily intervals for about five years, until one morning I woke up and realised she had a point.

We have all received bits of advice that had stood us in good stead, but they are usually more of the precept variety than the personal. "Never play cards with a man named Doc" is a good one. Also, "Try everything once except incest and folk dancing". While these were both said by somebody in the first place (Nelson Algren, Sir Thomas Beecham), they meet less resistance when given unattributed, because then the issue of "Look who's talking" does not come up. The clay-feet syndrome, by the way, is a problem that personally I don't have a clue how to solve. Which should not be surprising, really, since "Leave him" and "Buy a car" inevitably don't shed much light on the matter.

**The profits being made by the giant food retailers are scandalous, argues Janet Daley**

# Shoppers' bad bargain

When I moved into my first English home in the Sixties, one of my earliest calls was at the local United Dairy. For those too young to remember such places, "dairies" were essentially milk shops which also sold a small range of cheeses and butter — then almost the only dairy products consumed in Britain. There was one in every high street — some owned by United Dairies and the others by Express — who were also responsible for home milk delivery, and it was that which I wanted to arrange.

"Oh no," they explained, "we can't deliver to your street." Why not, when I lived just around the corner? But it wasn't a matter of convenience. United Dairies were forbidden by law to deliver milk to me because the wartime area allocation gave Express exclusive rights to serve my street. It is hard to say what was more surprising to someone who had grown up in the United States: the fact that I had no choice about from whom I should buy milk or that it had occurred to no one in the 20 years since the war had ended to tamper with this anti-competitive duopoly.

Arguably, it didn't matter much. The products from both companies were identical and so were the prices (as indeed they still are). Anyway, dairy produce, and most other food, was very cheap providing you stuck to the narrow tastes of British cuisine. When we joined the Common Market, as it then was, cheap food became a thing of the past but the complacent attitude to competition in the sale of food did not.

At about the same time, the British were becoming more affluent and well-travelled, and so their parochial prejudices began to disappear. There was more demand for the French cheeses and the exotic fruit and vegetables which people found abroad. The supermarkets, with their wholesale buying power and their sophisticated marketing, could exploit the new tastes. Small greengrocers with their unrelieved displays of carrots and cabbage could not compete on variety. Corner shops could not match the special price offers (like the ones which Sainsbury's have dressed up as a "price war" this week) which big supermarket chains could afford. And so most of the local, individually-owned shops went under, giving way to a megalithic rationalisation: suburban food palaces, purpose-built for the well-off, car and freezer-owning, once-a-week shopping family. The fact that so many of Sainsbury's current price reductions are really bulk-buy offers shows how clearly the giants define their own clientele: those who have the money, the private cars and the storage space at home to be able to buy more in order to make small savings.

The revolution in food shopping was not at all revolutionary in concept. The same mentality which had placidly permitted the Milk Marketing Board under two different names, to monopolise all milk sales was now equally unconcerned about the carve-up of all food retailing. Even though three giants, Tesco, the Argyll Group (Safeway) and, above all, Sainsbury, have been making astronomical profits through the recession — helped by profit margins much greater than in countries like Germany and the United States where wages are higher — no official questions have been asked.

Concentrating the sale of food into the hands of a very small number of businesses who may then charge pretty much what they like, aiming what competitiveness they deign to engage in at the richer sections of the population — better wine, fresh pasta, more parking space — is an object lesson in the causes of British economic decline. Taking the easiest and laziest option, the supermarket chains target the identical constituency — the affluent middle class.

They have never exploited the economies of scale which their wholesale buying power could give them to create another kind of market altogether: the no-frills chainstore offering staples at low prices. This lack of retailing imagination is aided by tight planning restrictions which effectively guarantee that there will be only one supermarket in every shopping area thus ensuring a local monopoly.

There is no mystery about why Britain has had a more severe recession than other western countries. The basic commodities of life: housing, transport, energy and food are too expensive leaving people too little disposable income with which to buy the sorts of things the Chancellor wants us to buy.

The provision of these essentials of life has been so hemmed in and over-governed since the wartime infatuation with economic planning, that scarcely anyone in the country understands what real competition means. And the over-regulated, "markets" in such necessities are not even benignly constructed to serve the public.

Instead, they are manipulated by cosy understandings or organised lobbies in ways that always seem to end with the ordinary customer being double-crossed. Thus special pleading maintains high British car prices which are supported by tax breaks on company cars. Restrictive practices meant that public transport wasted years of funding on subsidising absurd union demarcations. Nationalised control of energy gave way only to high-priced private monopolies.

And what is the common thread? A distrust of ordinary people organising their own lives, and a failure to see that a regulated society can exploit the public quite as effectively as a more anarchic one.

# The wrong ticket to ride

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The golden days of rail as painted by William Frith in 1862: now the government's ill-considered privatisation plans threaten to undermine a once great public service

## Richard Hope on the Treasury's malign influence on British Rail

Banana skins are not supposed to be visible until governments tread on them. Why, then, is John MacGregor plunging ahead with a formula for rail privatisation which is widely seen as a route to severe political embarrassment?

This month the transport secretary will introduce his bill to convert British Rail into a quango called Railtrack. Private operators of passenger and freight trains are to assure Railtrack's profitability by paying dearly for access to its 10,000-mile network.

On December 17, Mr MacGregor appointed Robert Horton as vice-chairman of BR with a brief to set up Railtrack. Ousted last June from his previous job as chairman and chief executive of BP amid claims that he was too abrasive, Mr Horton is the first of several outsiders being brought in to franchise BR's passenger services and regulate competition between rival train operators.

Mr Horton is also expected to root out any subversives within BR who might be trying to undermine the concept of a free-market in train services — for example, by premature scrapping of coaches and locomotives which could be bought by private operators, as *The Sunday Times* disclosed this week.

But in the past two months, evidence presented to the Commons transport committee under the chairmanship of Robert Adley has revealed serious flaws in the government's strategy. James Sherwood, president of Sea Containers, and Brian Cox, rail managing director of Stagecoach Holdings, have hands-on experience of running private passenger services on BR tracks. Both men want to bid for passenger franchises, but not, it seems, on Mr MacGregor's terms.

For a start, they need better control of the track their trains will run on. Mr Cox saw Railtrack as "a large national inefficient utility monopoly with basically no control over it". Mr Sherwood said that if the track "is going to be charged out at a replacement value ... we will not be interested"; he also saw unrestrained access for rival operators as impracticable: "I do not believe there can be competing rail services on the same track."

Firms sending freight by rail cannot wait for privatisation. David Tidmarsh, chief executive of the quarry operator Foster Yeoman, told the committee that constraints imposed by BR "have held the development of our freight business back ... the most important thing is to get free access to the railways".

But freight users, too, have reservations. They are deeply worried by a huge increase in rates being demanded by BR which is driving millions of tons on to the roads this winter. At present, under the 1974 Railways Act, freight pays only a wear-and-tear cost for using passenger lines. Ominously, the white paper insists that Railtrack "will be expected to make a return on its assets and to charge operators for the use of its track".

Higher charges coupled with fears of worse to come under Railtrack has precipitated what Mr Adley calls "a collapse of confidence" among rail freight customers. He appealed to Mr MacGregor on December 2 for "speedy action" to end both the freight crisis and the virtual moratorium on investment pending privatisation which threatens to annihilate Britain's railway supply industry.

The Department of Transport's response was to solicit support from BR managers for a post-Christmas campaign to undermine the credibility of Mr Adley. An unashamed rail buff, he would be dismissed as a nostalgic dreamer striving to preserve useless country branch lines at the taxpayer's expense.

Unfortunately for the government, the arch-privatiser Lord Ridley and Tory stalwart Lord Whitelaw have now joined the Greek chorus predicting fewer customers riding clapped-out carriages at higher fares — with only a coat of paint and a hostess proffering free coffee to compensate for mounting delays "beyond our control".

Even BR's chairman, Sir Bob Reid, appointed in 1989 specifically to take BR into the private sector, warned in a radio interview on December 20 that the government's "doctrinaire" plans could damage the network so seriously that "it will take a long time to put it together again".

Perhaps Mr MacGregor sees himself moving on before commuters in Tory heartlands feel the pain and seek revenge. The puzzle is that, given the will, last July's fuzzy white paper could be remoulded to remove much of the political risk and still yield real benefits. Why is he resisting so strenuously?

The answer lies with the Treasury. On every committee that debates BR privatisation there sits a Treasury mandarin one rank above the most senior transport department civil servant — normally Philip Wood, the railways under-secretary.

It is the Treasury, not the transport department, which insists that Railtrack must charge all of its costs to users. This is in sharp contrast to Sweden, so far the only country to create an independent track authority; here, government grants pay for investment, while barely a third of running costs are recovered from train operators.

The transport department would dearly like to abandon open access for passenger operators because virtually all prospective franchisees say it is unworkable. The Treasury will not agree, nor will it allow Railtrack and the Franchising Authority to be merged so that franchisees can maintain their own track. The Treasury wants competition and tight control of the Franchising Authority because it sees a fundamental conflict between today's "public service" ethic and its over-riding objective of slashing BR's £1 billion a year subsidy.

Senior BR managers are emerging stunned from management buy-out seminars in which they are told to reject fuddy-duddy ideas of "vocation". Instead, they must be "red-blooded" — running trains on a shoestring for three years to create an illusory "profit" before selling out. Inevitably, this means lying to staff about company policy in such areas as customer service and safety.

But there is one string that the Treasury cannot pull. Mr MacGregor still has to convince increasingly worried Tory MPs and cabinet colleagues that his bill will make the trains busier, when the transport committee is hearing that the mere threat of Treasury-induced anarchy is driving freight customers and prospective franchisees away. Not so much a banana skin, perhaps; more a poll tax on wheels.

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# High days, low days




DIARY

IT SEEMED like a good idea at the time and the best way for a grateful people to show their lasting appreciation of the woman who saved them from Argentinian occupation. January 10 would forever more be known as Margaret Thatcher day on the Falkland Islands. People would rejoice. Loyal friends would celebrate. Parties would be thrown.

That was the idea anyway when the day was instituted last year. Then Baroness Thatcher was presented in London with a bouquet of red, white and blue flowers by the Falkland Islands government. "We wanted to put the day on calendars so children born after 1992 will know who Mrs Thatcher was," said Sukey Cameron, the Falklands government representative in London.

January 10 was chosen as Thatcher day because it was the date she was awarded the Freedom of the Falkland Islands during her first visit in 1983. A peninsula in South Georgia was named after her in 1990 and a street in Port Stanley has been given her name.

But one year on enthusiasm for Margaret Thatcher day has dimmed. "It doesn't mean such a lot," says a spokesman for the Falklands Island government office in London. "It's not a public holiday or anything like that. The elected councillors decided to honour her with a day last year. There won't be any fireworks or anything. To the best of my knowledge nothing is planned. We certainly haven't been told of any celebrations. Try the councillors on the Falkland Islands."

If the councillors on the Falkland Islands were bursting with excitement, they were certainly doing a good job to conceal it. "It's a public holiday, that's all," said a spokeswoman. "Nothing is planned. No, hang on. I'm being corrected. It's not even a holiday."

### Floored again

MEMBERS of the Chelsea Arts Club, eccentric at the best of times, have a new enemy — a new floor being installed in the members' bar. Not only will the new floor be inordinately shiny and stain free but the club has been closed over Christmas and new year while it is being fitted ... so there was no New Year's eve party.

The old pine floor dates back to 1908 when the club first opened and as such must have drinks spilled on it by past members such as Augustus John and Sir Alfred Munnings. It has, on more than one occasion, served as a bed for some of the club's more enthusiastic members. The floor's colourful history perhaps explains why large chunks of it have disappeared — souvenir hunters have been at work.

Don Grant, club member and artist who achieved notoriety with his nude paintings of the royal family, understands the attraction. "I'm not surprised people are taking bits of the floor. It's rather like the Berlin wall."

Hugh Gilbert, club chairman, is unrepentant on calling time. "The floor was beginning to crumble underfoot. There is a lot of unhappiness about it being replaced. But the new floor had to be put down. Someone was going to fall over." At the Chelsea Arts Club?

● *Yesterday's thaw may have delighted the nation's ducks but it was bad news for its speed skaters, who were planning to travel to the Fens for the national speed skating championships. The one-and-a-half mile race was to take place on flooded fields yesterday but was called off in the morning. But there is one skater who will be quietly relieved — last year's champion, Stuart Horspool, who couldn't get the day off work.*




### An opportunity not to miss

THE mystery married man, who according to Maria Riva's controversial new book about her mother, *Marlene Dietrich*, became involved with Dietrich during the 1965 Edinburgh Festival, has been identified. Peter Diamand, 79, who was then about to become artistic director of the Festival, yesterday admitted to the diary that he was the man who wined and dined the legendary actress.

Riva's book identifies the man only as PD, but mentions that in later years her mother would talk of that "sentimental old Jew I had in Edinburgh".

Diamand, 79, who lives in north London, was astonished that details of their friendship should finally have been made public. Married at the time, Diamand, who was succeeding Lord Harewood as festival director, made a point of seeing Dietrich perform. "It was spellbinding. We had dinner afterwards," he says. "We saw each other several times after that. In spite of our friendship I could not persuade her to perform again at Edinburgh," says Diamand, director for 13 years.

Dietrich performed in Edinburgh for one week but remained in Scotland for a couple more before flying to Australia. "We got on very well. She was the most extraordinarily beautiful woman. She was in her early sixties. She looked glorious."

Diamand, artistic adviser to the Orchestra de Paris, received a private letter from Riva when he was seeing her mother. He has not heard from her for more than 20 years. But he accepted her mother's description of him was accurate. "I am sentimental. I am a Jew. And I am certainly old."

But were they lovers? Diamand is enigmatic. "I would never wish to be drawn into discussing whether I had intimate relations with any woman, other than my two wives." But he did admit that his first wife, Maria Ciurlo, was jealous of the liaison. "Of course she was. But she was wise enough to understand this was an opportunity which few men would miss."

Diamand's predecessor, Lord Harewood, was rather less taken with her. In his autobiography he wrote: "I can safely say she was the only visitor to the Festival while I was there whom I would happily have consigned to hell."





A foreign affair? Peter Diamand and Marlene Dietrich

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# BROADEN THE MARKET

## The West must keep central Europe on its side

The European Community needs urgently to turn its attention to the reforming states of central Europe. The Poles, Czechs and Hungarians have made important strides forward over the past year and deserve a better deal than the vague promise of Community membership some time at the beginning of the 21st century.

Western enthusiasm for deadlines may well have waned as a result of the years of concentrating on 1992 and the single European Market. The bumpy road to last month's Edinburgh summit seems to have worn out the springs of Community leaders. There is a strong case, however, for setting a new deadline, this time for the accession of the Poles, Czechs and Hungarians. Negotiations for their entry should begin in 1996. By then those currently at the front of the queue — Austria, Sweden, Finland and perhaps Norway — should have been absorbed into the Community. That, among other things, will improve the internal financial status of the Community and make central European accession easier to afford.

The next three years should be focused on rapid development of the reforming central European economies so that they can survive the shock of full membership. The time must also be used to secure the political consensus for Eastern enlargement that will not be easy and will demand leadership and energetic diplomacy.

The progress made in central Europe over the past year has been remarkable. The Czechs have negotiated the peaceful division of their country, and have embarked on an ambitious voucher privatisation scheme that will make shareholders out of some 75 per cent of the population. Hungary and Poland are also privatising quickly, and are skilfully turning their export markets from East to West. An entrepreunial class has emerged. Inflation is being kept in check. All this has been achieved with very little help from the West. First ideas of a Marshall-Aid style recovery programme for the East have given way to piecemeal assistance. The European Community association agreements, which should have opened up Western markets for the East, merely enshrine the wishes of different protectionist lobbies. These association agreements run for 10 years, until 2002, and the assumption was that at the end of that period full membership could be considered. Yet the agreements are closing, not opening, markets; they are making it more difficult for the central European states to gear up to accession. These treaties should be scrapped and renegotiated, with a clear promise of entry negotiations at the next big round of Community constitutional talks in 1996.

There is not yet great support for the accelerated admission of central Europe to the Community. The poorer EC members fear that they will have to compete hard for funds with the central Europeans. France, it seems, feels most comfortable with the number 12. Germany is, as ever, ambiguous.

The burden of membership will be heavy but the central Europeans are more than willing to take it on. They need to anchor reforms within their political institutions. This can be best done if there is a clear European goal. For the moment central Europe is a surprisingly stable part of the Continent. But if President Yeltsin were to fall, or if the reform policies in Moscow were to become unhinged, then the central Europeans would certainly feel the cold winds. The West must seize the moment. The Balkan crisis shows plainly enough what happens when the Community ducks its responsibilities.

# CARE FOR THE VULNERABLE

## Quality of care matters for the mentally ill more than doctrine

It is more than 30 years since doctors began to realise that the mentally ill and handicapped could be ordinary people. In that time a changed vision of the life they should enjoy has slowly taken hold. Increasingly they have been recognised as citizens with the right to as normal a life in the community as their handicap or illness will allow. The discovery of new drugs in the 1950s and 1960s sent a wave of optimism through the mental health services. It prompted the view that institutional life was itself disabling, while life "in the community" could assist the process of healing.

Plans were laid to empty the hospitals, but no plans were made to provide alternative care. Patients started flowing out of the hospitals — and disappeared. Attention switched from the uncaring institutions, wracked by scandals through the 1960s and 1970s, to the couldn't-care-less community. Investigations by Marjorie Wallace in *The Times* revealed countless sad stories of inadequates discharged from hospitals to bedsits and boarding houses from where they tormented their families. Committees began examining this evidence of squalor and neglect. Suddenly the old, huge lunatic asylums seemed not so bad after all.

In the early days of the discharge programme, and for those patients with mild problems, there was some justification in the hope that advances in drug treatment would enable the sick to cope. But the accelerated run-down of the hospitals sent into the community people with severe conditions whose needs were never met and are still not being met.

Virginia Bottomley has reacted with evident passion and commendable speed to the case of Ben Silcock, mauled by a lion after leaping into its enclosure while in the grip of a schizophrenic hallucination. She consulted a string of professional and voluntary organisations in the mental health field yesterday, and promised an early review of the 1983 Mental Health Act.

Her remarks that the law should be changed to allow for patients in the community to be treated compulsorily have attracted immediate criticism from the civil liberties lobby. Detaining people in mental hospitals against their will is necessary for the small minority of patients who refuse to accept treatment voluntarily. But to extend that power beyond the walls of the institution raises issues of personal freedom which worry many doctors, lawyers and patients.

A review of the 1983 act, which derived from the hospital-based service in place in the 1970s, is none the less overdue. The main focus of care has now switched to the community. Around the world the worry for doctors, social workers and managers is the same: the inadequacy of community services, the strain on families, the pressure on prisons and the rise in vagrancy. Schizophrenics are found among the bag ladies of New York, the street sleepers of Hong Kong and the residents of cardboard city under the arches at Charing Cross. Good community care requires efficient organisation based on research and generous finance. The central task, identified in successive government reports, is to design services that give people what they want rather than exalting any particular good above all others. To most patients it matters little where they are cared for, how or by whom. It is the quality of the care that counts.

# DEAR COW

## Government needs policy not panic for galleries and museums

The national heritage is a sacred cow, which everybody strokes, every one wants to milk, but nobody can adequately define. Now that the government has a secretary of state for the national heritage, it should begin to organise a rational policy for the dear beast, instead of staggering from crisis to crisis.

Its policy for galleries and museums is particularly veterinarian. What is needed is not more public money but a more intelligent use of the money available. British museums and galleries receive 74 million visitors a year. They are a success story and a national treasure.

The latest crisis faces the Dulwich Picture Gallery, the oldest public art gallery in Britain, and a repository of Old Master paintings by Rembrandt, Rubens, Van Dyck, Poussin, Canaletto, Hogarth and Gainsborough, worth at least £400 million if anyone wanted to sacrifice the family silver. Because of the accidents of history in its foundation, it cannot carry on under present funding. It survived its last crisis, 20 years ago, only by selling Domenichino's "Adoration of the Shepherds". On Thursday it will announce final plans to stave off closure.

If its collection had been left to the nation, as was that of the gallery's builder, Sir John Soane, it would be nationally funded. But its paintings, having originally been bought for a King of Poland who abdicated, were finally vested in Alleyn's College of God's Gift. Soane left his personal house of antiquities, Hogarth, drawings and rich idiosyncrasies in Lincoln's Inn Fields to the nation, so it falls within the pale as heritage, and receives government funding. But Dulwich falls outside the pale, and has to struggle on its own. Enchanting as the Soane Museum is, not many would argue that its collection is as important a part of the national heritage as that at Dulwich.

Similar anomalies affect other bits of the heritage in galleries and museums. Liverpool is counted as national on Merseyside; thus it receives central funding. Manchester and Birmingham, with as important paintings and objects, struggle with drastically reduced local authority grants. Geffrye and Horniman in London get central funding, because they are orphans left bereft of the Greater London Council. But Edinburgh University is considering selling paintings left to it in the ancient Sir James Erskine Torrie bequest on behalf of the people of Scotland, and Royal Holloway and Bedford New College may be forced to sell its Gainsboroughs. Constable and Turners, and even its lascivious Victorian paintings of oriental slave markets.

The United Kingdom needs a system of classifying and supporting its national heritage in galleries and museums as systematic and controlled as in France. At present there is no statutory requirement on local authorities to support such heritage. They should be given realistic targets in the Standard Spending Assessment. Future funding arrangements for the great university collections should be shared by them. Proceeds from the National Lottery should be used to endow collections of national importance, such as Dulwich, to give them long-term security and prevent the selling of paintings to mend the roof.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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## Reassessing Churchill's wartime achievements

*From Mr Ralph Blumenau*

Sir, There will always be revisionism, but if Churchill's reputation is to be ripe for it, it will have to be done better than Alan Clark's preview (January 2) of John Charmley's book (*Churchill: The End of Glory*). Almost every assertion in the second part of that preview strikes me as ludicrous:

1. "There were several occasions when a rational leader could have got, first reasonable, then excellent terms from Germany." What were those terms? Would Hitler, by any chance, have offered to restore Poland, France, the Low Countries, Denmark and Norway to their territorial integrity and independence? Could anything less have been acceptable? And even if such an offer had been made, could we really have accepted from that breaker of promises that this time he really did have no more territorial ambitions?
2. "Hitler wanted to secure his flank before he turned on Russia." Sure he did! He nearly defeated Russia without having achieved this security. He would certainly have defeated her if he had had peace in the West. What price that peace then from such a man as Hitler?
3. If Britain had been able to move the fleet and Spitfires to Singapore, "the Japanese would never have attacked". Very debatable: there might merely have been two Pearl Harbours instead of one, and other battleships might have joined *Prince of Wales* and *Repulse* at the bottom of the Pacific Ocean.
4. "Churchill's abasement of Britain before the United States": yes, that was sad; but would abasement before Germany have been preferable?
5. "The war went on far too long" because Churchill insisted on total defeat of Germany and Japan. We have recently seen the consequences of less than total defeat of even such a mini-Hitler as Saddam Hussein.
6. "The old social order had gone for ever." Actually it is remarkable how much longer the old social order remained, even under Labour governments.

Yours faithfully,
RALPH BLUMENAU,
111 Princes House,
50 Kensington Park Road, W11.
January 2.

*From Mr Brian Crozier*

Sir, Alan Clark appears to be suggesting that Churchill should have given Hitler a free hand to attack the Soviet Union. Among the prizes he lists would have been the preservation of Singapore and other Far Eastern imperial possessions and no bad debts to the United States.

The outcome could have been a Nazi-dominated Western (and possibly Eastern) Europe. As far as I am concerned, Churchill made the right decision in resisting Foreign Office and other appeasers.

Of course Churchill made mistakes, notably his choice of Tito over Mihailovic and his statement of utter trust in Stalin on his return from the Yalta summit of February 1945 (for which he made belated amends with his "Iron Curtain" speech at Fulton, Missouri, the following year). Standing up to Hitler was not one of them.

Yours faithfully,
BRIAN CROZIER,
Kulm House,
Dollis Avenue,
Finchley, N3.
January 2.

*From Professor Geoffrey Lee Williams*

Sir, John Charmley's book appears to advance an interpretation of Churchill as war leader almost identical to that contained in a brilliantly argued book published in 1961 by Major-General J. F. C. Fuller entitled *The Conduct of War 1789-1961* (see especially chapter xiii).

Alan Clark himself advances substantially the same thesis as both authors, which is that Churchill could have seized several opportunities of doing a deal with Hitler's Germany in either 1940 or early in 1941.

Such a modus vivendi would have been possible if Churchill had not correctly diagnosed the true nature of Nazi ideology which Halifax and others (presumably even Clark himself today) had grossly played down. It would have legitimised German hegemony in Europe by force.

Surely this historic judgment still holds: Churchill was outstandingly successful as a leader in wartime; he fully grasped the significance of the Russian land war and the crucial importance of the Anglo-American alliance. He correctly perceived also the likely consequences of a neutrality which left the two totalitarian powers fighting to a finish.

A negotiated peace in 1941 would almost certainly have led to the defeat of the Soviet Union, followed by a Nazi-dominated Europe of unprecedented brutality.

A peace settlement with Germany in April 1941 would equally have left Britain free to defend the empire against Japan, yet only if Britain was prepared to be a satellite of Germany. Worse still, Britain in time would have become a non-belligerent ally of Germany. The moral discredit of such a role would have destabilised British politics for a generation.

Mr Clark fails to attribute enough weight to the specific national socialist ideology of the German government, with its explicit racial goals based upon territorial expansion. The new order envisaged by Hitler was, thank God, complete anathema to Churchill's Britain.

Yours sincerely,
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Centre of International Studies,
History Faculty Building,
West Road, Cambridge.
January 2.

*From Mr John Marshall, MP for Hendon South (Conservative)*

Sir, Alan Clark seems to think that the 1939-45 war should be subjected to crude cost-benefit analysis. Wealth might have been safeguarded but principles would have been sullied. It would not have been a question of handing over a few German colonies: it would have involved the permanent subjugation of Europe to Hitler.

Any visitor to Yad Vashem or Auschwitz realises that Hitler had to be defeated whatever the cost. In any event if Hitler was willing to abrogate the Stalin-Ribbentrop pact what faith could anyone place on his signature in 1941?

Yours faithfully,
JOHN MARSHALL,
House of Commons.
January 3.

*From Mr Derek Bloom*

Sir, Alan Clark may be correct in asserting that Britain could have obtained a separate peace with Nazi Germany on reasonable terms in 1940 or 1941 — but how long would it have lasted?

Poland helpfully supported the Germans at Munich, carrying off a piece of Czech territory as reward, but a year later she too was invaded. It was folly to believe in the good faith of Adolf Hitler in 1938; to believe in it now, with the historical record before us, speaks of quite unfathomable credulity.

Yours faithfully,
D. BLOOM,
47 Old Church Street,
Chelsea, SW3.
January 3.

*From Mr Martin E. Simons*

Sir, Neither the House of Commons collectively nor, to its credit, the Labour party would have accepted that admirable but ineffective grandee, Lord Halifax, from the other place as prime minister in 1940 or 1941. Nearly everyone, including Halifax, understood that.

It is ludicrous to believe that by giving away Gibraltar, Malta and Palestine and whatever other parts were required by the fascists as an hors d'oeuvre the empire would have been preserved. Appeasement never pays.

Even if a sort of peace had been made by allowing the Quisling and Darlan puppets in Oslo and Algeria, and their ilk, to displace the likes of King Haakon of Norway and Queen Wilhelmina of The Netherlands and by putting Churchill and de Gaulle into a concentration camp, the respite would have been brief.

It is unnecessary for *The Times* to undermine its reputation by giving space to arrant nonsense.

Yours obedient servant,
MARTIN E. SIMONS,
24 Granard Avenue,
Putney, SW15.
January 3.

## BR sell-off and road subsidies

*From Mr Terence Bendixson*

Sir, It is bound to be extremely difficult to franchise, let alone privatise, British Rail (Nicholas Ridley's article, December 30). Much of the network loses money, much of it needs investment that will take years to be repaid. But it does not necessarily follow that ministers should abandon their objective. They might be wiser to argue that privatisation should be spread over, say, 20 years.

An important and increasingly recognised problem of transport is that we do not pay the full costs of travelling by car. The recent report of the Royal Commission on National Passenger Transportation in Canada says that "the general taxpayer and the public subsidise car travel by an estimated 1.8 cents per passenger kilometre". In cities, where congestion and pollution are concentrated, this average figure would be much higher.

Governments of the OECD countries will have good cause to try to cut such subsidies during the 1990s. They will be under severe pressure to restrain public spending, and by deploying a mix of fuel taxes, parking charges, inter-city road tolls and urban road pricing they will be able to slow the growth of traffic and shift on to road-users the cost of building and maintaining the highways.

None of this will kill the car. Walking and driving promise to remain dominant for the foreseeable future. But the gradual elimination of road subsidies would create a more favourable climate for rail travel and railway investment.

Yours faithfully,
TERENCE BENDIXSON,
9a Gunter Grove, SW10.
January 2.

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## Second-hand toys

*From Mr G. S. Gresty*

Sir, Your article on "European myth-making" (December 31) could mislead charities which sell second-hand toys. Whilst it is correct in stating that second-hand toys were excluded from the EC directive on toy safety they are included in UK national regulations.

It is almost impossible for charities to comply with the law in this respect because original packaging which contains required information on, for example, age suitability is invariably lost by the time that toys are donated to charity shops.

Whilst accepting the basic need for second-hand toys to be safe, the public protection committee of North Yorkshire County Council is hopeful that in 1993 the Department of Trade and Industry will relax present requirements.

Yours faithfully,
G. S. GRESTY
(County Trading Standards Officer),
North Yorkshire County Council,
County Hall,
Northallerton, North Yorkshire.

## Speed and safety

*From Mr Charles Bazlinton*

Sir, Until automatic distance sensors come into general use (letter, January 1) I recommend the "two-second rule" as a reliable way to gauge the safe distance from the car in front. The minimum safe distance from the next car is that travelled in two seconds.

Start two seconds' worth of doggerel such as "only a fool breaks the two-second rule" at the time the preceding car passes a fixed point and aim to have finished the couplet by the time you reach that point yourself.

Yours faithfully,
C. E. BAZLINTON,
Trees, The Avenue,
Alresford, Hampshire.
January 1.

## Duty and civil service

*From Mr Robert Sheldon, MP for Ashton-under-Lyne (Labour)*

Sir, The principle of the impartiality of the civil service is indeed crucial (letters, December 31). This impartiality is the very foundation of the probity of the service. At a time when so many of our institutions are under critical examination this aspect of our administration must be retained.

Each year I welcome members of overseas public accounts committees or their equivalent and the main question they ask is how can they acquire an incorruptible civil service. Sadly I have to reply that such a service is difficult to achieve but when it is present everything possible must be done to preserve it.

This is why the Public Accounts Committee gives the highest priority to retaining the standards of integrity in the public service. Although most of our time is spent on aspects of value for money such scrutiny must take second place to examinations of any fraud or corruption.

The surest defence of the standards of the civil service is the honest member of a group. Once the whole unit relaxes these standards they are extremely difficult to restore. This is obviously true at the lower levels of the public service. It is no less true at the higher.

The honest, incorruptible, hard-working civil servant is a feature of our society of which we should be most proud. We must do all we can to ensure its preservation.

Yours sincerely,
ROBERT SHELDON (Chairman,
Public Accounts Committee),
House of Commons.

## Mining and health

*From Sir William Paton, FRS*

Sir, There has been an amazing silence about the medical costs of deep coal-mining: silicosis, chronic bronchitis, physical injury, joint damage and disasters, to name a few. The sympathy expressed for the miners is, of course, both a recognition of the unpleasantness and dangers of the work, and a direct reason for its termination as soon as possible — by open-cast mining or by using other energy sources.

Conditions have, of course, improved over the years, but the expectation of health and welfare have risen greatly too. Mr Heseltine's original measure may have been badly managed, but anyone concerned for health would welcome his strategy.

Yours sincerely,
WILLIAM PATON,
13 Staverton Road, Oxford.
December 22.

## Relentless pursuit

*From Mr K. Alsop*

Sir, Mrs Knight (letter, December 30) may be blaming computers unnecessarily. After the death of my father-in-law in 1947, the monthly journal of his professional institution continued to arrive for him (including, of course, the issue recording his death).

Despite frequent letters from my mother-in-law, the journal continued to arrive for more than ten years. No need for computers!

Yours faithfully,
K. ALSOP,
33 St Marys Avenue,
Northwood, Middlesex.
January 4.

## Otter country

*From Mr A. T. Denby*

Sir, Your leader (December 29) about Tarka country can only mean that it is now "safe" to publish such information. As one of the riparian owners at the junction of the Torridge and the Waldron, in west Devon, since 1973, I know that otters have been in existence on that stretch throughout that time.

I had the greatest pleasure early one morning in the early 1980s of watching two cubs playing on the other bank to mine. I once fell over one on the bank pathway. We also had, and still have, buzzards nesting alongside herons in the heronry shown in David Attenborough's wildlife film of cats, filmed by my then neighbour, Maurice Tibbles. Hawks, kingfishers, shag, snipe (when it's really cold), ravens, runs of sea trout, salmon and brown trout are all to be found. I have photographs of wild orchid too. Congratulations to all for keeping this knowledge to themselves.

Yours sincerely,
TIM DENBY,
Orchard Farmhouse,
Saxlingham Green, Norwich.

## A ban on brackets?

*From Mr K. D. Robinson*

Sir, When reading *The Times* I find myself more and more tripping over round brackets. Archbishop Cranmer's clerks had no need of them in the King James Bible. I hope you can do something about this.

Yours faithfully,
K. D. ROBINSON,
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Birmingham 15.
December 28.

## Stonking the enemy

*From Mr Michael Rawlence*

Sir, I read with interest your definition of stonking (Word Watching, December 19) as "excellent, fantastic". To many of my generation who served in the Army in the second world war stonking meant the putting-down of an artillery or mortar concentration on a given target.

Yours faithfully,
M. RAWLENCE,
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06130 Grasse,
Alpes Maritimes, France.

## Health care for elderly

*From Dr D. E. A. Luxton*

Sir, Your report (December 28) on the fears of the British Medical Association and other bodies that elderly people may find it more difficult to receive specialist treatment (for example access to coronary care units or dialysis services) for life-threatening conditions tends to blame National Health Service reforms. It should, however, be recognised that some discrimination on grounds of age existed in the NHS long before the reforms started.

The degree of restriction varies from hospital to hospital and can depend on the extent of prejudice about the benefits of expensive treatment for those of advanced age and more objective assessments of the extent to which older people can tolerate more complex and invasive tests and treatment.

Most would agree that specialist emergency medical treatment should be offered where it will do good and that restricting access on the grounds of age alone should become a thing of the past. Each case should be judged on its clinical merits by those involved, who should then act entirely professionally.

The NHS reforms may lead to less ageism in the future as provision of services becomes more consistent across the country and purchasers of health care continue their emphasis on equity of access and quality of provision.

Yours faithfully,
D. E. A. LUXTON,
86 Gayton Road,
King's Lynn, Norfolk.
December 28.

## Beware of small print

*From Miss D. E. Tonge*

Sir, The last sentence of the printed instructions next to the hand-drying machine in the ladies' lavatory of a large department store reads: "Machine will stop after removing hands."

We know on good authority that all the perfumes of Arabia are inefficient cleansing agents — but this seems a little drastic.

Yours faithfully,
ELIZABETH TONGE,
2 Four Oaks Cottages,
Luddenham, Faversham, Kent.
January 2.

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# SOCIAL NEWS

## Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Jean-Baptiste Say, political economist, Lyons, 1767; Robert Morrison, founder of Protestant missions in China, Morpeth, 1782; King Camp Gillette, inventor of the safety razor, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, 1855; Konrad Adenauer, 1st Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany 1949-63, Cologne, 1876; Humbert Wolfe, poet, Milan, 1886, he died on this day, London, 1940; Jack Lovelock, surgeon and Olympic 1,500m gold medallist (1936), Cushington, New Zealand, 1910; Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, Prime Minister of Pakistan 1971-77, Larkana, India, 1928.

DEATHS: Edward the Confessor, King of England reigned 1042-66, London, 1066; Joseph Gillot, pioneer of the steel pen, Birmingham, 1873; Sir Ernest Shackleton, explorer, South Georgia, Antarctica, 1922; Calvin Coolidge, 30th American President 1923-29, Northampton, Massachusetts, 1933.

Pope Paul VI met Patriarch Athenagoras I in Jerusalem, the first meeting between the leaders of the Roman Catholic and Orthodox churches in more than 500 years, 1964.

One day cricket was born when England played Australia at Melbourne because the test match had been abandoned by the previous day's rain, 1971

## Birthdays today

The King of Spain celebrates his birthday today.

The Grand Duke of Luxembourg celebrates his birthday today.

Mr Alfred Brendel, concert pianist, 62; the Earl of Dudley, 73; Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Hanmer Hanbury, former Lord Lieutenant of Bedfordshire, 77; Sir Frank Hartley, former vice-chancellor, London University, 82; Sir Alan Hume, civil servant, 80; Miss Diane Keaton, actress, 47.

Miss Jan Leeming, broadcaster, 51; Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, Governor of the Bank of England, 66; Mr Maurizio Pollini, pianist, 51.

Major-General H. Quinlan, 87; Mr Wilhelm Soukop, sculptor, 86; General Sir John Stibbon, 58; the Hon Mrs Alison Wright, director-general, British Invisibles, 48; Lord Wynford, 76.

## Latest wills

Brigadier Alfred Francis Freeman, of Upper Brailes, Warwickshire, former Chief Signals Officer, Northern Command, left estate valued at £499,267 net.

Mrs Dorothy Patricia Shakespeare, of Ferndown, Dorset, formerly of Canford Magna, left estate valued at £1,765,842 net.

She left bequests of effects, real properties and other bequests to personal legatees, £1,000 to the Pointer Rescue Service, £100 to the National Canine Defence League, her donkeys Henry and Bimbo to the Margaret Green Sanctuary, Church Knowle, and the residue for charitable purposes chosen by her trustees.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid):

Mrs Dorothy Beatrice Howard, of Weston Super Mare, Avon ........ £776,372

Mr Frank Keeling, of Stratford upon Avon, Warwickshire ........ £515,384

Mr Walter Lee, of Marlow, Buckinghamshire ........ £502,142

Mr Raymond Mason, of Crowland, Lincolnshire £760,028

Mr Herbert Arthur Mortiboy, of Kingston, Surrey ........ £894,125

Mrs Gwendoline Minnie Piper, of Yeovil, Somerset ........ £912,252

Mr Robert Alfred Southon, of Limpsfield Chart, Surrey ........ £510,914.

## School news

**Benenden School**

Term starts today at Benenden School. Prospective Parents' Mornings will take place on January 16 and February 6. The Arts Festival will be held on February 5. The School Play, *Noël and Cole: An Original Show depicting the lives and works of Noël Coward and Cole Porter* will be performed on March 19 and 20.

**Culford School**

The Spring Term begins today. A Founders' Day Service will be held in the Centenary Hall on Saturday, January 23, and a production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* on Thursday-Saturday, March 18-20. Term ends on Friday, March 26.

**The John Fisher School**

The Lent Term begins today with Mr Robin Gregory, MA, as the new Head Master. Thursday, March 4, is Founder's Day and two performances of Britten's *Noyes Fludde* will be given by the School in the Fairfield Halls, Croydon. The Old Boys Annual Dinner is on Friday, February 19, 1993, at the School. Term ends on Friday, April 2.

CHRIS HARRIS



Bits and pieces: wearing a costume from south Jordan Caroline Sclater of the Islamic department of Sotheby's sits on a sixth century Jordanian mosaic. The floor comes from the Chapel of St John near Madaba in Central Jordan, where craftsmen carried on the tradition of mosaic work long after the Romans left the country. It depicts birds, a woman, and a cleric, believed to be the priest John who built the chapel. Both dress and floor form part of an exhibition. The Mosaics of Jordan, which will be on show at the auction house in New Bond Street, central London, until January 22. The exhibition will also be at Manchester Museum from March 2 until July 3.

## Forthcoming marriages

**Mr I.M.K. Abdul-Razzak and Miss F.M. Crompton**

The engagement is announced between Imad, son of Mr and Mrs M.K. Abdul-Razzak, of Beirut, Lebanon, and Fiona, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.G.A. Crompton, of Burstow, Surrey.

**Mr A.L. Bowen and Miss A.F. Marshall**

The engagement is announced between Andrew Lawrence, son of Mr and Mrs James Bowen, and Alison Frances, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Neil Marshall, both of Northwood, Middlesex.

**Mr A. Brown and Miss A. Shiach**

The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Professor A.L. Brown, of Glasgow, and Dr J.M. Wormald, of Oxford, and Alison, daughter of Sheriff and Mrs G.L.W. Shiach, of Edinburgh.

**Mr P.S.W. Chan and Miss T.D. Gourley**

The engagement is announced between Peter, second son of Dr Peter P.H. Chan, of Hong Kong, and Theresa, only daughter of Mr and Mrs David Gourley, of Epsom, Surrey.

**Mr C.W. Dent and Miss A.V.H. Surtees**

The engagement is announced between Bill, younger son of Captain and Mrs John Dent, of Cutwell House, Tetbury, Gloucestershire, and Alice, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Christopher Surtees, of Well Farm House, Baughurst, Hampshire.

**Mr C.T. Hawkins and Miss M.C. Fletcher**

The engagement is announced between Toby, younger son of Mr and Mrs Richard Hawkins, of Edithmead, Somerset, and Didi, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs John Fletcher, of Maidenhead, Berkshire.

**Mr G.W. Kaye and Mrs R. Wingham**

The engagement is announced between Giles Wigram, elder son of the late Mr Anthony Kaye and of Mrs Elizabeth Kaye, of Inkpen, Berkshire, and Rosemary Wingham, née Bonney, of Midsomer Norton, Avon.

**Mr G.A.M. Lunn and Miss J.M. Hopkins**

The engagement is announced between Graeme Arthur Moncrieff, only son of Mr and Mrs J.M. Lunn, of West Meon, Hampshire, and Joanna Mary, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs H.C. Hopkins, of Hipley, Hampshire.

**Mr J.W. Machell and Miss H.E. Cheetham**

The engagement is announced between John, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Paul Machell, of St Albans, Hertfordshire, and Helen, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs David Cheetham, also of St Albans, Hertfordshire.

**Mr T.J. McKimmon and Miss R.M. Pytches**

The engagement is announced between Timothy, younger son of Dr and Mrs W.J. McKimmon, of Jordanstown, and Ruth, daughter of Prebendary and Mrs P. Pytches, of Enfield.

**Mr A.F.J. Neden and Miss F. Mackenzie**

The engagement is announced between Andrew Frederick John, younger son of Dr and Mrs David Neden, of Ramsgate, Kent, and Fiona, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Mackenzie, of Wintringham, Cambridgeshire.

**Mr R.J. Palmer and Miss H.V. Jarvis**

The engagement is announced between Richard, only son of Sheriff and Mrs C.W. Palmer, of Edinburgh, and Holly, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Jarvis, of Lauder, Berwickshire.

**Mr C.F.S. Sherwood and Miss T.K. Lindop**

The engagement is announced between Simon, elder son of Mr and Mrs Clive Sherwood, of Helions Bumpstead, Essex, and Tanya, eldest daughter of Dr and Mrs Michael Lindop, of Cambridge.

**Mr C.G. Wilkinson and Miss S.L.A. Fordy**

The engagement is announced between Charles, younger son of Mr and Mrs Michael Wilkinson, of Salisbury, Wiltshire, and Sarah, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Malcolm Fordy, of Ingleby Greenhow, North Yorkshire.

**Mr P.J.K. Womersley and Miss E.J. Whitmore**

The engagement is announced between Peter, youngest son of Dr and Mrs Richard Womersley, of Malone Park, Belfast, and Elizabeth, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Roger Whitmore, of Nutley, East Sussex.

**Captain R.W. Yorke and Miss L.E. Thomson**

The engagement is announced between Captain Robert William Yorke, Coldstream Guards, only son of Mr and Mrs William Yorke, of Camberley, Surrey, and Lucinda Elisabeth, daughter of Mr William Thomson, of Ruyton Hall, Shropshire, and Mrs Sara Thomson, of Hungerford, Berkshire.

## Appointments

Donald Peter Thompson and Douglas Woodward Crump to be full-time chairmen of industrial tribunals. Mr Thompson will be assigned to the Cardiff region to sit at Shrewsbury, with effect from February 1; Mr Crump will be assigned to the Birmingham region from March 1.

# PERSONAL COLUMN

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Can a woman forget the infant at her breast, or a mother the child of her womb? But should even these forget, I the Lord shall never forget you.
Isaiah 49 : 15

### BIRTHS

BARKER - On December 31st, to Kate and Edward, a daughter, Emily and a son, Guy, a brother and sister to Hamish.

BARKER - On January 1st 1993, to Kenneth and Kerry (née Flinn), a daughter, Georgina Mhairi.

BECKINGHAM - On December 29th, at Freedom Fields Hospital, Plymouth, to Alison (née Woodcock) and Andrew, a daughter Jennifer Anne, a sister to Katy.

BIRD - On January 1st, at Guy's Hospital, to Lisa (née Wall-Smith) and Andrew, a son, Nicholas Winstanley.

BUSH - On December 27th at Jessop Hospital, Sheffield, to Susan (née Pellatt) and Gary, a son, James Leonard.

CAUNTER - On December 30th, to Georgia and Clive, a daughter, Alicia Victoria Louise.

COLTHORPE - On 28th December, to Fiona (née Royle) and Robert, a daughter, Rosanna Kate.

DIGBY-BAKER - On 31st December 1992, to Sarah (née Shallcross) and Hugh, a son, Samuel Patrick. A welcome first grandchild for John and Carolyn Shallcross and Janet Digby-Baker.

GILBERT - On December 23rd 1992, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, London, to Jennifer (née Thomson) and Tanneguy, a son, Thomas, a brother for Sophie.

HADRILL - On January 4th 1993, at Leighton Hospital, Crewe, to Katharine (née Sergeant) and Julian, a daughter, Lucy Clare.

HARLING - On December 27th, at West Suffolk Hospital, to Marga (née Bosman) and Adrian, a daughter, Helen Marga Cecilia, a sister for Henry.

HARVEY - On December 23rd, at The Portland Hospital, to Colleen and Paul, a son, Andrew Michael, a brother for Christopher. At 1428 weighing 8lbs.

HAWKINS - On New Year's Eve, to Clare (née Drury) and Peter, a son, Robin John St.Bel. Praise the Lord!

JOHNSTON-BROWN - On December 24th, to Emma (née Worth) and Christopher, a son, Sebastian James.

KAY - At 02.00 on 1st January 1993, to Henrietta (née Ward) and Jarvis, a daughter, Katherine Elizabeth, sister to Felicity and Philip Alexander.

KINGSWELL - On 28th December, to Jane (née Fletcher) and Charles, a daughter, Emma Sophie.

ORAM - On December 25th 1992, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Carole (née Perez) and Crispin, a son, George Marcus Robert.

PHILIP - To Lizard (née McAdam) and Quentin, a daughter, Jenny Jasmine Shirley, a sister for Polly and Angus.

PORTER - On January 1st 1993, to Keith and Susan (née Egerton), a son, Alexander George Henry.

SAID - On January 2nd, at The Portland Hospital, to Laura and Klaus, a beautiful baby boy, Robert, a brother for Nicholas.

USHARA - On December 28th at the Humana Hospital Wellington, to Toru and Mitsue, a son, Takuma.

WAMBOLD - On December 8th at The Portland Hospital, to Monica (née Gerard-Sharp) and Ali, a daughter, Dominica Yasmin Qaiar, a sister for Marina and Daniela.

WEST - On New Year's Day, to Hen (née Talbot Willcox) and Robin, a daughter, Emilia Charlotte.

YOUNG - On December 11th 1992, to Jill (née Smith) and Hugh, a son, Alexander Benjamin Brooks.

### DEATHS

BAKER - Norman Herbert of Fox Farm House, Sanderstead. On December 31st, peacefully at St Christopher's Hospice. Much loved father of Jeremy, Martyn and Rosemary. Funeral at 2 pm on Tuesday January 12th at All Saints' Church, Sanderstead. Donations to St Christopher's Hospice, 51-59 Lawrie Park Road, London SE26.

BURTON - On December 28th 1992, at The Covert, Keele University Campus, Winifred Marjorie, aged 87 years, dearly loved wife of the late Arthur Douglas Burton. A loving mother and grandmother. Service and cremation at Newcastle, Staffordshire Crematorium on Thursday January 7th 1993 at 3.30 pm. Inquiries to Harold H. Leese Funeral Directors, St Peter's Close, Off Brook Street, Stoke, Stoke on Trent, tel: (0782) 744433.

CLINTON-ROBINSON - On December 28th 1992, at the Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford, Leslie (Lt. Col. retired). Cremation at Guildford Crematorium on Monday January 11th 1993 at 3 pm. Enquiries to Pimms Funeral Services, tel: (0483) 67394.

COX-WALKER - On 21st December 1992, Eden Zoe (née Gaunflett), Widow of Norman (Ben) Cox-Walker. Cremation has taken place.

CRANE - Len, retired Lloyds underwriter, died 29th December 1992, aged 84 years. Funeral to be held Friday January 8th at 2.15 at Southend Crematorium. All friends welcome. Flowers should be sent to F.P. Gulver & Sons Ltd., 641 South Church Road, Southend.

d'ARCH SMITH - On January 2nd at Winton Nursing Home, Nether Wallop, Tip d'Arch Smith, wife of the late Commander N.A.G. Oblenschlager DSO RN and of the late Major C.H. d'Arch Smith, aged 92 years. Much loved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral Service at Salisbury Crematorium on Tuesday January 12th at 11.15 am. Flowers to Halcrow & Sons, Funeral Directors, 6a Bridge Street, Andover, Hampshire, SP10 1BH, tel: (0264) 338255.

DELAFORCE - On 3rd January 1993, passed away peacefully at his home in Oporto, John de Fleurder, C.B.E., M.A., aged 84 years, beloved husband of Valerie, dearly loved father of David, Angela and Richard and adored grandfather of Dominic, Matthew, Alexandra and Nicholas. He was a very special person.

DOWLER - On December 29th, suddenly at the Alexandra Hospital, Cheadle, John Francis of Hartford, Cheshire. Beloved husband of Jean, dear father of Anne, Frances and Jonathan. Funeral Service at St John's Church, Hartford, at 1.30pm January 7th 1993 prior to cremation. Family flowers only. Donations to R.S.P.B., The Lodge, Sandy, Bedfordshire, SG19 2DL.

DOW - Suddenly but peacefully, at home, on 1st January 1993, in his 67th year, Lieutenant-Colonel Leslie Phillips Graham Dow O.B.E., the last Commanding Officer of the Cameronians, Scottish Rifles, and for fifteen years the Producer of the Edinburgh Military Tattoo. Dearly loved husband of Joan and father of Jane and Holly. Cremation private. Memorial Service to be held at a later date.

EMANUEL - On January 3rd, Henry, peacefully in hospital. Dear husband of Audrey and stepfather to Stephen and Andrew Warshaw. Funeral Service at Bushey Cemetery on Wednesday January 6th at 10 am.

EVEMY - On January 1st, peacefully, Stewart, of Walter Lane, much loved by Angela and his many friends. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to St Christopher's Hospice, Sydenham.

FLINN - Grace Barnes, peacefully after a short illness on January 1st 1993 in Cheltenham. Widow of Professor Michael Flinn, mother of Mark and Hugh. Funeral Service on Monday January 11th at Cheltenham Crematorium at 12 noon. No flowers but if desired donations to The Sue Ryder Home, Leckhampton, Cheltenham, Glos.

FOSTER - On December 30th 1992, suddenly in hospital, Philip Alfred. Loving husband of Jean. Much loved Dad of Keith, Kevin and Julie. Father-in-law of Hayley and Louise and grandad of Joshua and Georgia. Funeral Service at St Mary St Margaret Church, Church Lane, Sprowston, on Friday January 8th at 1 pm followed by interment at Sprowston Cemetery. Flowers to Gordon Barbers by 11 am or donations in lieu if so preferred for The Norfolk Diabetes Appeal can be sent c/o Gordon Barber Funeral Directors, 317 Aylsham Road, Norwich NR3 2AB.

FREEDMAN - Rita Laura, on January 2nd, aged 97 peacefully at home. Beloved wife of the late Dr. Wallace Alexander Freedman, dear mother of Roland and the late Humfry, dear mother-in-law of Valerie and Diana, grandmother of Gillian, Andrew, Jeremy, Emma and Sarah and great-grandmother of Lucy. Funeral took place on Sunday January 3rd.

GAMAN - On January 3rd 1993, peacefully in a nursing home, Francis Ruth, in her 94th year, late of Anne Boleyns Walk, Cheam, Surrey and for many years on the staff of Sutton High School. Funeral Service at Randalls Park Crematorium, Leatherhead, on Tuesday January 12th at 1 pm. No flowers please, donations, if wished, to NSPCC.

GIBBES - On December 28th 1992, peacefully in hospital, Tony, beloved husband of Sheila and father of David, Hazel, Louise and Angela. Funeral private. No flowers please, but donations if desired to The Roof Fund, St Andrew's Church, Kelso.

GRANLUND - H.P., D.S.C. On 2nd January after a long illness borne with cheerfulness and true valour, Paddy, darling husband of Angela, devoted father of Hew, Karen and Jane, father-in-law of Gillie, Pat and Ian, loving grandfather of Charles Angus, Duncan and Felicity. Dear brother of Ruth, Lorna and the late Peter. Funeral at the Church of St Lawrence, Southleigh, Devon, on Saturday 9th January at 12 noon. Family flowers only, but donations to CLIC South West (Cancer and Leukaemia in Children), Freemantle Square, Bristol, would be much appreciated, if desired.

GREEN - On January 2nd after a car accident in Johannesburg, Jonathan Lionel (Johnny) aged 26 years. Beloved only son of Richard and Julie and brother of Nicola, Joanna and Sara. Funeral private.

GRUNBERGER - On 26th December after a prolonged illness, Manfred, beloved husband of Elke, father of Andreas, Christian and Michaela and grandfather of Charlotte-Jane. Service at United Reformed Church, Church Road, Potters Bar, on Thursday 7th January at 12.45 pm. Flowers by 11 am to Nethercotts of Darkes Lane, Potters Bar or donations to The British Lung Foundation, Kingsmead House, 250 Kings Road, London SW3 5UE.

HARRINGTON - On December 23rd 1992, unexpectedly but peacefully at his home, James Leslie, OBE, aged 86 years. Formerly a member of British Railways Board and of Dover Harbour Board. Funeral Service at Barham Crematorium, near Canterbury, at 9.30 am on Friday January 8th. No flowers please, but donations are invited for Help the Aged, c/o W.J. Farrier & Son, 161 London Road, Dover, Kent, CT17 OTG.

HATCH - On January 2nd 1993, peacefully at The Old Wall Cottage Nursing Home, Betchworth, Norah Gertrude (née Hutchinson), aged 87, devoted wife of the late Jack, dearly loved mother of Margaret, Joy and Sally, very proud gran of her eleven grandsons and one granddaughter and a loving great grannie. Service at St Michael's, Betchworth, on January 14th at 11.30am. Family flowers only, donations to Alzheimers Disease Society, C/O Sherlock & Sons, Trellis House, Dorking, would be appreciated.

HELMAN - On 30th December, suddenly, Candy, wife of Michael Ridpath and mother of Julia and Laura. Funeral Service at St Marylebone Crematorium, East End Road, N2, on Thursday 7th January at 11.30 am. Donations instead of flowers to Pearl S Buck Foundation, c/o Leverton & Sons, 1 Denmark Terrace, Fortis Green, N2.

HIGGINS - Peter John, died peacefully on December 30th. Beloved husband of Sarah and adored father of Connie. Funeral Service at Mortlake Crematorium, January 11th, 2 pm. Flowers and enquiries to Kenyons, 10 Chiltern Street. (071) 935-4968.

HOLDER - On December 31st, peacefully at home, Edward John Ring, aged 72 years, dearly loved husband of Gwen and father of Richard. Cremation at Chichester on Tuesday January 12th at 2.30 pm. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to 2 Care c/o Funeral Services Petersfield Ltd., 19 The Square, Petersfield, Hants. tel: (0730) 262711.

HOLLIS - On New Year's Day, suddenly at home, John Denzil, aged 61. Beloved husband of Pauline and father of Kate and Charles. Funeral Mass at St Osmund's R.C. Church, Castelnau, Barnes, at 2.30 pm on Tuesday January 12th. Family flowers only, donations if desired to The British Heart Foundation, 14 Fitzhardinge Street, W1H 4DH.

LANE - On December 28th 1992, Angela. Funeral service at All Saints Church, Peppard, on Monday January 11th 1993 at 1 pm. Donations if desired in lieu of flowers to Help the Aged, St James's Walk, London, EC1R 0BE.

LEVY - On January 2nd, aged 88, Marie Helena, beloved wife of Bernard (George) Levy, loving mother of Shelagh and Angela, grandmother of Andrea, Adam and Gavin and sister of Lewis and Hannah, peacefully in her sleep, in the devoted care of the staff of Guinness Court, Golders Green Crematorium, today, 2.30 pm.

LEWIS - On 31st December 1992, peacefully Joan Cadogan Lancaster. Dearly loved wife of Reverend Kenneth Lewis and sister of Ruth Wright. Funeral service Thursday January 7th at 12 noon at Northleach Church. Family flowers only, donations if desired to St Mary's Church, Tatsfield Trust, may be sent to Norman Trotman and Hughes, Walton House Barn, Northleach, Cheltenham, Glos. (0451) 860288.

LILLEY - On 2nd January 1993, peacefully in hospital, James (Jim). Loving and much loved husband of Bettine and dearest father of Robin, Carole, Nicholas and Julian. Service at Golders Green Crematorium, West Chapel, on Thursday 14th January 1993 at 12 noon. Family flowers only, but donations in lieu may be sent to The Imperial Cancer Research Fund, P.O. Box 123, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2 or The Boot Trade Benevolent Society, 30 Fleet Street, London EC4. Service of Thanksgiving to be announced.

LLOYD - Gweneth, much loved sister of Enid and co-founder with the late Betty Farrally of the Royal Winnipeg Ballet on January 1st 1993 in Kelowna B.C., Canada, at the age of 91 after a short illness. Funeral January 11th in Kelowna - no flowers - any donations please to "Royal Winnipeg Ballet" c/o N. Ridge, 44 Cannonbury Avenue, Pinner, Middx. The kindness of Rick Farrally over the last years is gratefully acknowledged.

LORD - On January 2nd, peacefully at Marcris House Nursing Home, Theydon Bois, Essex, Letitia Elizabeth, aged 92. Much loved by family and friends. Founder and former Headmistress of Oaklands School, Loughton, Essex. Thanksgiving Service at St Mary's Church, Loughton, on Tuesday January 12th at 12.00. Family flowers only. Donations may be sent to Cancer Research Fund, c/o D.C. Poulton & Sons, Funeral Directors, Clark's Lane, High Street, Epping, Essex.

MACBETH - On December 31st, suddenly at home in Brighstone, IOW, Canon Colin Macbeth, aged 82. Beloved husband of Harriet and dearly loved father of Colin, Ruth and Margie and grandfather of Tom, Richard and Dayana. Late Vicar of South Stoneham and Brockenhurst and Rector of Weeke. Funeral in St Mary's, Brighstone, at 2 pm on Thursday January 7th. Family flowers only. Enquiries via Framlingham College (0728-723789/723560). Memorial Service will follow in Brockenhurst later in the year.

MAYCOCK - Suddenly and peacefully on December 29th, at home, Dr. James William, of Stogumber, Somerset. Formerly of Ascot, Berkshire. A greatly loved uncle and friend. The funeral service will be held at 12 noon on Thursday January 7th at Stogumber Church followed by cremation. Donations if desired may be sent to South West Childrens Hospice c/o F.H. Willcombe & Son, 8 High Street, Williton, Somerset.

MONK - On 24th December, Colin, aged 58, of Coombe Hill, Surrey. Suddenly but peacefully taken from us whilst walking his dog Callum. Dearly loved husband of Betty. Beloved father of James. The best stepfather in the world to Lauretta and Sally. Adored brother of Jackie and Ganette. Father-in-law to Martin and Will and grandfather to Ben and Joe. We will all miss his strong spirit and loving care forever. He enhanced our lives.

MORGAN - On January 1st 1993, peacefully at home, Reverend Chandos, C.H.M., C.B., Q.H.C., M.A., R.N. of West Lydford-on-Fosse, Somerset. Dearly loved husband of Molly, father of Arden and grandfather of Sophie, Emily and Polly. Former Chaplain of the Fleet, Chaplain Dean Close, Cheltenham and Rector St Margaret, Lothbury, London. Funeral at St Peter's Church, West Lydford, on Friday January 8th at 1 pm followed by cremation at Yeovil Crematorium. Family flowers only please but donations if desired to Missions to Seamen c/o David Rivett Funeral Director, 13 Wyndham Street, Yeovil. Enquiries (0935) 33737. Service of Thanksgiving to be held at St Margaret's Church, Lothbury, at 2.15 pm on February 4th 1993.

MOSS - On December 26th 1992, suddenly at home, Henry Thomas (Harry). Former Commodore of the Association of the Dunkirk Little Ships. Much loved adoptive Dad to Jeff and Mark. Funeral Service at Guildford Crematorium on Friday January 8th 1993 at 2 pm. Family flowers only but if desired donations to RNLI or the Royal British Legion. All enquiries to W. Bryder & Sons, Tillington, near Petworth, W. Sussex (0798) 42174.

NOSWORTHY - On 1st January, Alison, in her 87th year, widow of Dr. Michael Nosworthy. Funeral arrangements 0242-515312.

PILKINGTON - On 27th December 1992, peacefully in hospital, Jill Mollie Pilkington, much loved daughter of Mollie Pilkington and the late Stephen Malcolm Pilkington. The funeral will be at St Richard's Church, Haywards Heath, on Wednesday 13th January at noon.

PYE - David, designer and maker, peacefully on 1st January. Beloved husband of the late Pamela and much loved father of Liz and Jim. Very dear father-in-law and grandfather. Funeral at Oxford Crematorium, Monday 11th January at 1pm. Flowers, or donations to the Parkinson's Disease Society may be sent c/o Reeves & Pain, 288 Abingdon Road, Oxford, OX1 4TE. Details of Memorial Service to be announced later.

RIX - On December 30th 1992 as a result of a car accident, Howard Rix aged 41 years. Husband of Amanda and father of Olivia, Alicia and Beatrice. Funeral Service at St Margaret's Church, North Oxford, on Friday January 8th at 1.30 pm, followed by burial at Wolvercote Cemetery. Flowers to Edward Carter, 107 South Avenue, Abingdon OX14 1QS, please.

ROBERTS - On January 1st 1993, suddenly at home, Norman Stafford, aged 66 years. Former Headmaster of Taunton School, beloved husband of Bet and loving father of Trisha, Peter and Judith. Funeral Service to be held at St Mary's Parish Church, Taunton, on Friday January 8th at 12.45 pm followed by private cremation. Family flowers only. Donations to Taunton Association for the Young Homeless may be sent to E. White & Son (Taunton) Ltd. Funeral Directors, 138/139 East Reach, Taunton.

ROUGHSLEY - Robert James Fawns of Geilliaw, Pontfaen, Fishguard, Dyfed, died on New Year's Day. No flowers, we would love donations to go to Papworth Hospital, Cambridge.

SHUARD - Hilary, C.B.E., M.A., M.S.C., F.I.M.A., passed away peacefully in her sleep shortly before Christmas. Dear niece of Irene Shuard and loving cousin of Geoff and family and renowned in primary mathematics education. Funeral will take place in Cambridge, where she had been Deputy Principal of Homerton College. Family flowers only; donations may be sent to the Hilary Shuard Memorial Fund of the Mathematical Association, 259 London Rd, Leicester, LE2 3BE.

SOUTER - On 31st December, suddenly at home, Lady Grace Margaret Souter, wife of the late Sir Edward. Beloved mother of Edward and mother-in-law to Alison and loving grandmother of Charlotte and Alexandra. Funeral Service at St Andrew's Church, Nether Wallop, Hants., on Tuesday 12th January at 2 pm, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to I.C.R.F., c/o Halcrow & Sons Funeral Directors, 6A Bridge Street, Andover, Hants. tel: (0264) 338255.

STEPHENSON - On January 2nd 1993, aged 85, Donald Stephenson C.B.E., formerly of the B.B.C. and Oxted, dearly loved husband, father and grandfather. Funeral private: memorial service later.

STEUART - Lilian née Mansanch, widow of Charles, on 31st December, peacefully after a short illness, funeral private, no letters please.

STEWART - On January 2nd in Harrogate, Richard Henry Stewart, M.C., M.A., aged 76 years, Major, The Border Regiment (Ret'd), Solicitor, latterly Senior Assistant Secretary, The Law Society. Beloved husband of Margaret and father of Hugh, James and Peter. Service at St Peter's Church, Harrogate, Friday January 8th at 3.15 pm. Cremation private. No flowers please, but donations if desired to The Red Cross or R.N.L.I.

TAYLOR - On 30th December 1992, Harold, dearly loved husband of Preeth, father of Colin and Karen, grandfather of Richard, Martin and Louise, great-grandfather of Georgina; who will be sadly missed. Cremation at Golders Green Crematorium, Friday 8th January, 11.30 am. Family flowers only. Donations to Entertainment Artists Benevolent Fund.

TRIMBLE - On 31st December 1992 Roger Blakely. Beloved Husband of Valerie and dearly loved Daddy of Andrew and Alice. Funeral Service Private. A thanksgiving service for his life and work to be arranged later. Further enquiries to Henry Norman Funeral Services tel: (061) 336-4584.

VILE - On January 2nd, peacefully, Walter Bernard, beloved husband of Grace, loving father of Rosemary, Antony, Susan and Martin and a devoted grandfather. Funeral at St Mary's Church, St Fagans, Cardiff, at 9.30am on Friday January 8th 1993, followed by interment at St Michael's, Michaelston-Super-Ely. Family flowers only, donations if desired to St Michael's Church, c/o The Rector, The Rectory, St Fagans, Cardiff.

WALKER - On December 28th, suddenly at Buckland Hospital, Dover, Captain Charles Gordon Walker RN aged 83. Much loved and missed by wife Peggy and all the family. Cremation was held at Barham on 31st December. Any donations to K.G.F.S.

WICKENS - On Friday December 18th through tragic circumstances, Peter aged 32. Beloved youngest son of John and Mary and brother of Anthony, Jane, Terry, Annabel and Vicky. A Service of Thanksgiving will be held at the Cathedral of Our Lady and St Philip Howard, Arundel, on Saturday January 16th at 12 noon.

WILDIG - On 1st January 1993, Sarah, M.Sc., Senior lecturer in the Dept of Audiology, Manchester University, aged 46 years. Dearly loved by Diana, William, Geoffrey and Pitts. Service and interment at Woodford Church, Cheshire, on Friday 8th January at 1pm. Enquiries to Ben Lloyd (F.D.) Ltd. tel: (061) 485-3135 Poynton 872717.

WINNIFRITH - On January 1st, peacefully at home, John Winnifrith, aged 84 years. Beloved husband of the late Lesbia, much loved father of Charles, Tom and Lucy, much loved grandfather and great-grandfather. Funeral at Appledore Parish Church on Friday January 8th at 2 pm. Family flowers only but donations may be made to Benenden Hospital, Benenden, Kent. There will be no memorial service.

WOODCOCK - On December 31st, peacefully at Pinford End, Bury St Edmunds, Ada Sarah Kate - formerly of Cambridge. Wife of the late John, loving mother and grandmother. Funeral on Friday January 8th at 2 pm Cambridge City Cemetery.

### MEMORIAL SERVICES

BROAD - A Thanksgiving Service for the life of Dr. James Broad will be held on Tuesday January 12th at St Mary Bredin Church, Canterbury, at 12.30 pm.

McNULTY - A Thanksgiving Service for the life of Anthony McNulty, CBE, will be held at noon on Tuesday 2nd February in the chapel of King's College, London, The Strand.

### IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

JESSOP - Harold 8.1.1934 - 26.12.1990. Remembered with much love, Maureen, Elaine, Marion. Also remembering grandpa, Natalie and James.

WATERHOUSE - In loving memory of Caroline who died a year ago and is so terribly missed by Hugo and her children.

### LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE MATTER OF The Yellow Pencil Company Limited AND IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a meeting of creditors of the above named company convened under the provisions of Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 and held on the 21st December 1992, I Melvyn Julian Carter Carter Backer Winter, Hill House, Highgate Hill, London N19 5UU, was duly appointed Liquidator of the above named company.
Dated this 21st day of December 1992.

No. 0010826 of 1992
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF WHITWORTH'S PREPARED PRODUCE LIMITED
and
IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated 16th December 1992 confirming the reduction of the capital of the above-named Company from £1,100,100 to £100 and the Minute approved by the Court showing with respect to the capital of the Company as altered the several particulars required by the above-mentioned Act were registered by the Registrar of Companies on 17th December 1992.
Dated this 5th day of January 1993.
Pinsent & Co.,
Solicitors for the said Company
3 Colmore Circus,
Birmingham, B4 6BH.

THE INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
MANJINA LIMITED
(IN RECEIVERSHIP)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Rule 3.9 of the Insolvency Rules 1986, that a Meeting of the Creditors of Manjina Limited will be held at Bridge Gate, 55/57 High Street, Redhill, Surrey on 8 January 1993 at 4.00 pm. The Joint Administrative Receivers' report will be presented to the meeting and the opportunity given to elect a committee to represent the creditors.
A Creditor will be entitled to vote at the meeting only if details in writing of the debt claimed to be due to him by the company have been given to the Administrative Receivers at Bridge Gate, 55/57 High Street, Redhill, Surrey no later than 12.00 noon on the business day before the day fixed for the meeting, and the claim has been admitted in accordance with the Insolvency Rules 1986.
Creditors may vote either in person or by proxy and a proxy should be lodged with the Administrative Receivers if possible before the meeting. A secured creditor is entitled to vote only in respect of the balance (if any) of his debts after deducting the value of his security as estimated by him. Creditors who are wholly secured are not entitled to be represented or to vote.
Dated the 22nd day of December 1992.
M D Garcia
Joint Administrative Receiver

THE INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
RULE 4.106(1)
Streets International Limited
In Administrative Receivership
- In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation -
I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that I, A P Supperstone, Licensed Insolvency Practitioner, of Stoy Hayward, 8 Baker Street, London W1M 1DA, was appointed Liquidator of the above named company on 21 December 1992. All debts and claims should be sent to me at the above address.
All creditors who have not already done so are invited to prove their debts in writing to me. No further public advertisement of invitation to prove debts will be given.
Dated: 24 December 1992.
A P Supperstone, Liquidator.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
No. 0011079 of 1992
CHANCERY DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
- and -
IN THE MATTER OF TEMPLON HOLDINGS LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated the 2nd day of December 1992 confirming the reduction of the capital of the above-named Company by the return of paid-up capital to the extent of A\$0.9999 and A\$0.9999 per share respectively on the 1,000,178,380 issued ordinary shares of A\$1 each and the 1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each in the capital of the Company and the Minute approved by the Court showing with respect to the capital of the Company as altered the several particulars required by the above-mentioned Act were registered by the Registrar of Companies on 21st December 1992.
Dated this 5th day of January 1993
Lovell White Durrant
65 Holborn Viaduct
London EC1A 2DY
Solicitors
to the above-named Company
F2/TJA/TARC/32189

IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
- and -
IN THE MATTER OF TOLLGATE (STAFFORD) LIMITED
(IN RECEIVERSHIP)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 48(2) of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a MEETING of the UNSECURED CREDITORS will be held at The Grand Hotel, Colmore Row, Birmingham on 15 January 1993 at 2.30 pm for the purpose of receiving a report covering the background to and progress of the receivership together with other matters stipulated by Section 48(2) of the Insolvency Act 1986.
Please note that a person is entitled to vote at the meeting only if the provisions of Rule 3.11(1) Insolvency Rules 1986 have been complied with, namely that:
(i) he has given to the receiver not later than 12.00 hours on the business day before the day fixed for the meeting, details in writing of the debt that he claims to be due to him from the company, and the claim has been duly admitted under the provision of Rule 3.11(2)-(7) and
(ii) there has been lodged with the administrative receiver any proxy which the creditor intends to be used on his behalf.
Creditors whose claims are wholly secured are not entitled to attend or to be represented at the meeting.
Dated this 18th day of December 1992.
P E BALDWIN FCA
Joint Administrative Receiver

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# OBITUARIES

## DANIE CRAVEN

**Daniel Hartman Craven, joint president of the South African Rugby Football Union and one of the world's leading rugby administrators, died yesterday in Stellenbosch aged 82. He was born in Lindley, in the Orange Free State, on October 11, 1910.**



DANIE Craven was one of the few genuine innovators that rugby union has produced who carried his gifts from the playing field, through a career in coaching and selection and into the administrative arena while also maintaining a high profile academic career. His domination of the South African rugby scene lasted for over 30 years, from his election as president of the old-style South African Rugby Board in 1956 until the unified body which now governs the sport was agreed last year.

As president of the board he also represented his country's interests on the International Rugby Football Board from 1957 onwards, until ill-health reduced his ability to travel over the last four years. In that capacity he fought to keep South Africa involved in the world rugby calendar even when sporting isolation began to bite elsewhere. And when apartheid began to weaken he was the first sporting administrator to make contact with the African National Congress to plan the way ahead.

It was a source of huge satisfaction to him that the centenary of the South African Rugby Board could be celebrated in 1989 by the appearance of an international XV in two games against the Springboks, and that he saw the return to genuine international fixtures last year of South Africa, when they played the touring New Zealanders and Australians.

Craven's family was from Yorkshire and his father, James, a first generation South African, named the family farm after the Yorkshire village of Steeton. One of eight children, Craven matriculated from Lindley High School and went on to the University of Stellenbosch where he established roots that lasted all his life.

Although he initially hoped to become a minister of religion he took a degree in anthropology and, after leaving university, taught at St Andrew's College, in Grahamstown. By that time he had won Springbok honours, touring Britain with the South Africans in 1931-2 as a scrum half though, remarkably, during his 16 internationals he played also at stand-off half and centre, on tour in New Zealand in 1937 he even played in the forwards, at No 8.

He captained his country four times, against New Zealand in 1937 and three times against the British Isles the following year.

On the outbreak of the second world war he served as a military attaché in London before becoming head of the physical training branch of the South African Military College in Pretoria; but in 1947 he became head of the PE department at Stellenbosch where he remained until 1975. Subsequently he was appointed director of sport and recreation at the university.

His own playing career, and his teaching career, convinced him that individual skills had to form the basic armoury of any ambitious rugby player. In his instructional *Rugby Handbook*, published in 1970, Craven suggested that, once the fundamental principles of the game had been established, all players should master positional skills.

He became a national selector between 1949 and 1956 and coached the touring teams to the British Isles in 1951-2 and to New Zealand in 1956, one of the most bitterly contested series in the often controversial rugby history of the two countries.

That same year he was proposed as president of the South African Rugby Board, a nomination he was uncertain whether to accept since it was made by men known to be members of the Broederbond, the Afrikaner secret community of which he was not, and did not become, a member.

His subsequent stands against government policy of the day frequently produced conflict: in 1965, en route to New Zealand to watch South Africa on tour, he travelled in the same aircraft as a diplomat who bore instructions to the team to decrease friendly relationships with the Maoris.

He clashed with John Vorster, the prime minister who followed the assassinated Hendrik Verwoerd, but won a concession by insisting on fielding a mixed race XV against the touring French in 1975.

But perhaps his finest hour was in 1988 when, aged 78, he flew secretly to Harare with Louis Luyt, the president of the Transvaal Rugby Union, to meet representatives of the banned African National Congress, then calling for a new governing body for rugby and total integration of rugby players in South Africa.

Craven had already helped institute, during the 1980s, coaching clinics which took rugby to youngsters of all colours. At the same time he was desperate to keep the national team on the world stage: 1981 marked the last South African tour for 11 years to one of the recognised rugby playing countries and that tour of New Zealand was marred by violent protests.

After England's visit in 1984 there were no incoming tours for eight years either, hence his encouragement of international tour parties, and, ultimately, the unauthorised New Zealand Cavaliers of 1986 which brought great criticism upon his head outside South Africa.

Following that tour his influence in world affairs declined but he remained a charismatic figure at home and the one focal point amid the political manoeuvring which has always complicated South African rugby.

He was dogged by ill-health during his declining years and had to have major heart surgery on two occasions. But his youthful enthusiasm never dimmed and he remained vigorous enough to be able to accept the joint presidency of the South African Rugby Football Union, the unified non-racial governing body established in February 1992.

Danie Craven was twice married and is survived by his second wife, Merle, three sons and a daughter.

## MICHAEL UNDERWOOD

**Michael Underwood, crime-writing pseudonym of John Michael Evelyn, barrister, has died aged 76. He was born at Worthing on June 2, 1916.**

UNDER his real name, John Michael Evelyn had a distinguished legal career while writing almost 50 crime books as Michael Underwood. Educated at Charterhouse and Christ Church, Oxford, he was, from 1969 until his retirement in 1976, assistant director in the Department of Public Prosecutions.

Like many effective barristers, Evelyn was shy almost to the point of being withdrawn until he got to know people well. Not that he did not end up with a bevy of friends. He was fascinated by the technicalities of the law — of which he made skilful use, rather in the manner of Henry Cecil, in his stories — and decided to become a crime writer.

His first book to be published, the ingenious *Murder On Trial*, appeared in the Hammond "Cloak and Dagger" series on August 20, 1954. In some respects this and other earlier books, such as *False Witness* (1961), are more attractive than his later ones. They are less tightly plotted, but the author seemed stylistically more at ease in them. However, it was self-criticism, more than anything else, which got in the way of natural exuberance in the always readable, and often brilliantly-plotted, later books. The most popular of these had the solicitor Rosa Epton as their central figure.

Michael Underwood was no Agatha Christie. He was, in a sense, too well educated and too self-critical ever to reach such heights: he knew too well that in writing crime fiction he was dealing, at least in part, in fantasy. He knew, as well, that he did not possess the literary genius, or sleight of hand, of a C. H. B. Kitchin or a Julian Symons to transcend these limitations. So he was a reliable crime writer of the second rank — no mean achievement — who never once wrote a bad book. He had a comparatively small but consistent following.

And when the time comes to reprint little classics of detection, then surely the editors of the series will consider such works as *The Man Who Killed Too Soon* (1969) and *Silent Liars* (1971).

His books were translated into many languages, including German, Dutch and Japanese. He was a member of the Crime Writers' Association and was elected to the Detection Club.

## FREDERIC BRIMBLECOMBE

**Professor Frederic Brimblecombe, paediatrician and honorary professor of child care at Exeter University, died on December 26 aged 73. He was born on September 10, 1919.**



FREDDIE Brimblecombe was an outstanding paediatrician, who made immense contributions to the development of his speciality and influenced colleagues in other branches of medicine and many other professions. A man of enormous energy, he concealed his intellect behind a mask of apparent innocence. His beguiling, diffident demeanour often proved a substantial professional advantage. All his life he busily set up systems and established institutions while few fully realised what he was doing.

Brimblecombe, the son of a Somerset general practitioner, was educated at Blundell's School, Tiverton, and St Mary's Hospital Medical School. In 1954 he was appointed the first consultant paediatrician at Exeter, where he saw his initial priority as getting hospital services for children organised satisfactorily. He then concentrated on community services and especially the impact of handicap on children and their families. He contributed to and edited Patterson's *Sick Children*, a classic paediatric text. His writings tended to concentrate on the social aspects of paediatrics, and he was a pioneer of this wider view of child health.

In 1967 he established a paediatric research unit in Exeter, using his substantial research grants, his contacts, and the force of his own will. His continuing contribution to the university led in 1978 to an honorary chair of child health, the first ever offered at Exeter. His research unit became in 1980 a successful department of the postgraduate medical school.

He realised early that research and teaching would move outside the great London centres and threw himself into developing the postgraduate medical school at Exeter. He was the key support for its first director, David Mattingly, and did much to protect it in its vulnerable early years. He was an enthusiastic supporter of the idea of a postgraduate department of general practice and was influential in getting the first such department established in a university in Britain at Exeter in 1973.

Brimblecombe's talent was progressively recognised nationally. He was appointed CBE in 1975, and three years later was made chairman of a new national body, the Children's Committee. He gave up about half his consultant sessions to lead this new initiative, only to see it fall victim to a change of government and a different view of Whitehall quangos of that kind.

Internationally, he was World Health Organisation professor in paediatrics in 1968-9 to the university of Khartoum, where he set up a paediatric department. He was a visiting professor in many universities.

Freddie Brimblecombe took tremendous trouble with every child he saw, while at the same time having the vision to perceive how changes could be made to improve systems and organisation for the future. Most of all, he had the powers of communication and persuasion to ensure that his ideas actually took hold in clinical practice.

He is survived by his wife, Esther, and two children.


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# PERSONAL COLUMN

FAX: 071 481 9313

### LEGAL NOTICES

No. 00106/94 of 1992
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF WHITWORTHS PRODUCE LIMITED
and
IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated 16th December 1992 confirming the reduction of the Share Premium Account of the above-named Company from £1,857,000 to £50,000 was registered by the Registrar of Companies on 17th December 1992.
Dated this 5th day of January 1993.
Pinsent & Co.,
Solicitors for the said Company
3 Colmore Circus,
Birmingham B4 6BH.

No. 00316/76 of 1992
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
COMPANIES COURT
MR REGISTRAR BUCKLEY
IN THE MATTER OF GUINNESS MAHON & CO. LIMITED
and
IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice, Chancery Division dated the 16th day of December 1992, confirming the cancellation of £50,949,500 standing to the credit of the Share Premium Account of the above-named Company, was registered with the Registrar of Companies on the 24th day of December 1992.
Travers Smith Braithwaite
20 Austin Friars
London EC2N 2HD
Solicitors for the Company

Notice of appointment of Liquidator
Voluntary winding up Creditors
Pursuant to section 109 of The Insolvency Act 1986
Company Number: 1807838.
Name of company: JJN Contractors Limited. Nature of business: Builders & Building Contractors. Address of registered office: 185-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex. Type of Liquidation: Creditors. Liquidator: Richard Andrew Segal Segal Davis Rose Treviot House 185-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 1JQ. Office holder no: 002685. Date of appointment: 17 December 1992. By whom appointed: The Members & Creditors. Date: 17 December 1992

Notice of appointment of Liquidator
Voluntary winding up Creditors
Pursuant to section 109 of The Insolvency Act 1986
Company Number: 2202642.
Name of company: Star Trax (UK) Limited. Nature of business: Providers of audio/video recordings. Address of registered office: Trevis House 185-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex. Type of Liquidation: Creditors. Liquidator: R A Segal Segal Davis Rose Trevis House 185-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 1JQ. Office Holder no: 002685. Date of appointment: 15 December 1992. By whom appointed: The Members & Creditors. Date: 15 December 1992.

Notice of appointment of Liquidator
Voluntary winding up Creditors
Pursuant to section 109 of The Insolvency Act 1986
Company Number: 1690777.
Name of company: Migrid Limited. Nature of business: Software Marketing. Address of registered office: Faithfield House, 91-99 High Street, Banstead, Surrey, SM7 2NL. Type of Liquidation: Creditors. Liquidator: Richard Andrew Segal Segal Davis Rose Treviot House 185-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 1JQ. Office Holder no: 002685. Date of appointment: 14 December 1992. By whom appointed: The Creditors. Date: 14 December 1992.

SURGICEM LIMITED
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Sec 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a meeting of the creditors of the above-named company will be held at 29/30 Fitzroy Square, London, W1P 5HH on 7th January 1993 at 11.00 am for the purposes mentioned in Sections 100 and 101 of the said Act.
Prior to the date of the above meeting Mr. John Samuel Francis Bennett of Goodman Jones Associates of 29/30 Fitzroy Square, London, W1P 5HN, a person qualified to act as an Insolvency Practitioner will be available to furnish creditors, free of charge, with such information concerning the Company's affairs as they may reasonably require.
Dated this 16th December 1992
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
Amarjit Singh Rymi
DIRECTOR

### LEGAL NOTICES

Saltmain Sales Limited
(In Receivership)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 48(2) of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a Meeting of the Unsecured Creditors of the above-named company will be held at the offices of Baker Tilly, 2 Bloomsbury Street, London, WC1B 3ST, on 14 January 1993 at 10.00am, for the purpose of having laid before it a copy of the report prepared by the Administrative Receivers under Section 48 of the said Act. The meeting may, if it thinks fit, establish a creditors' committee to exercise the functions conferred on by or under the Act.
Creditors are only entitled to vote if:
a. they have delivered to us at the address shown above, no later than 12.00 hours on the business day before the meeting, written details of the debts they claim to be due, and the claim has been duly admitted under the provisions of the Insolvency Act 1986, and
b. there has been lodged with us any proxy which the creditor intends to use on his behalf.
Dated this 29th day of December 1992
P J R Souster and P J Dickerson
Joint Administrative Receivers
NOTE Creditors may obtain a copy of the report, free of charge, on application to the Administrative Receivers at the address shown above.

THE INSOLVENCY RULES 1986 RULE 4.106(1)
Streets Direct Marketing Limited
In Administrative Receivership
- In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation -
I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that I, A P Sapsworth, Licensed Insolvency Practitioner, of Stoy Hayward, 8 Baker Street, London W1M 1DA, was appointed Liquidator of the above named company on 21 December 1992. All debts and claims should be sent to me at the above address.
All creditors who have not already done so are invited to prove their debts in writing to me. No further public advertisement or invitation to prove debts will be given.
Dated: 24 December 1992.
A P Sapsworth, Liquidator.

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
Re: Barrie Patrick Dempsey (Deceased) - (In Bankruptcy)
Tunbridge Wells County Court No. 344 of 1992
Notice is hereby given that Martin Lewis Page of KPMG Peat Marwick, Holland Court, The Close, Norwich, NR1 4DY, was appointed Trustee in Bankruptcy with effect from 14 December 1992 by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry under the Insolvency Act 1986.
All creditors are hereby invited to prove their debts by sending details to me at my address as shown above.
Dated this 22 day of December 1992.
M L Page, Trustee.

BLACKMANS INTERNATIONAL IMPORTS LIMITED
Registered No: 2556289
Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 466(1)(a) of the Insolvency Act, 1986 that Peter Rhodes of Peters Rhodes & Co., 6 Bloomsbury Square, London, WC1A 2LP, was appointed Administrative Receiver of the above-named Company on 17th December, 1992 by Comanco Limited under the powers contained in a Debenture dated 5th August, 1991, whereby a fixed and floating charge was created over the whole of the assets of the Company.
P. RHODES
Administrative Receiver
17th December, 1992.

No 007125 OF 1992
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
COMPANIES COURT
MR REGISTRAR BUCKLEY
IN THE MATTER OF GLASS GLOVER GROUP PLC
and
IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated 2 December 1992 confirming the reduction of capital of the above named Company from £31,992,585.16 to £2,992,250.00 and the Minute approved by the Court showing, with respect to the capital of the Company as altered, the several particulars required by the above-mentioned Act were registered by the Registrar of Companies on 21 December 1992.
DATED this 8 day of January 1993
Dibb Lupton Broomhead
125 London Wall
London EC2Y 5AE
Solicitors
for the above-named Company

### PUBLIC NOTICES

ALEXANDRA ROSE DAY
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CASEY, PATRICK CASEY late of Ether House, Ether Turn, Oxford died at Oxford on 28 January 1991
(Estate about £5,300)
DEAN, FREDERICK ALPHONSO GEORGE DEAN otherwise GEORGE FREDERICK GEORGE DEAN late of 23 Eden Road, Rochester, Kent died Chatham, Kent on 24 January 1992
(Estate about £6,900)
EVANS nee STEVENS, EDNA LILIAN EVANS nee STEVENS WIDOW late of Bryn Mor, Nebo, Penmaen, Anglesey, Gwynedd died at Bangor, Gwynedd on 10 March 1991
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FITZSIMMONS, DOUGLAS FITZSIMMONS late of 9, Gordon House Road, Camden, London NW5 died there on 20 April 1992
(Estate about £57,000)
HASWELL nee GELDART, PHYLLIS CONSTANCE ELIZABETH HASWELL nee GELDART WIDOW late of Swaffield, Little Lane, Ravensthorpe, Northamptonshire died at Daventry, Northamptonshire on 24 November 1991
(Estate about £550,000)
ROUND, JAMES ROUND late of 11 Stanmore Drive, Burpham, Guildford, Surrey died there on 7 February 1991
(Estate about £120,000)
STEPHENS, ALEXANDER STEPHENS late of 1 Pennhurst Walk, Hayesford Park, Bromley, Kent died at Bromley on 3 September 1992
(Estate about £160,000)
WOOLF, late of 9 Robin House, Newcourt Street, St. Johns Wood, London NW8 died there on 6 November 1991
(Estate about £19,900)
The kin of the above-named are requested to apply to the Treasury Solicitor, Queen Anne's Chambers, 28 Broadway, London, SW1H 9JS, failing which the Treasury Solicitor may take steps to administer the estate.

CHARITY COMMISSION
CHARITY OF JAMES READ
The Commissioners propose to make a Scheme for this charity. A copy of the draft Scheme can be obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to St Alban's House, 57/60 Haymarket, London, SW1Y 4QX quoting reference DGY-24143/4/2. Collins) or Messrs William Wold of 70 St George's Square, London, SW1V 3RD quoting reference 5/S11620) or Messrs Walker Hargreaves with Whittaker Printers of St Andrew's House, Wellington Street 52 John'st, Blackburn, Lancashire, BB1 8DS quoting reference "JW". Representations can be made within one month from today.

CHARITY COMMISSION
Charity - David Thomas Birthplace, Avon
The Commissioners propose to make a Scheme for this charity. A copy of the draft Scheme can be obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to Woodfield House, Tangier, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 4BL, quoting reference JEM/180277 CDTTH. Comments or representations can be made within one month from today.

### PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE. Exeter Hospital Aid Society, Reg No. 91F. A Special General Meeting of the above Society will be held in Exeter on Monday 26th January 1993 at 2.30 p.m. to amend the Rules relating to the Society's name and registered office. Further details and admission tickets for members only can be obtained from The Chief Executive, Beech Hill House, Exeter EX4 4DG or by telephoning 0392 78361.

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# THE LONDON BOAT SHOW

Sail enthusiasts should find plenty to keep their interest afloat at Earls Court this week, **Barry Pickthall** reports

## Party at the poolside

This is the "Year of Youth Sailing". The initiative will be launched tomorrow on the eve of the London International Boat Show at Earls Court. More than 3,000 events are planned nationwide, but the first will be on the central pool at the show, where eight to 12-year-olds can try dinghy sailing.

This is the 39th London Boat Show, and will be the first to use the huge pool at Earls Court for participating events. A static floating display of yachts and powerboats is based at one end, and the remainder of the pool is devoted to sailing, with a battery of fans providing the wind. Every day there will be demonstrations with waterbikes, coracles, canoes, folding and electric-powered boats and even radio-controlled model yacht racing.

The theme brings the party atmosphere of a regatta to the poolside, with the buildings and marquees providing a touch of Henley and Cowes as a backdrop to the activities afloat.

The remainder of the 14-acre exhibition is devoted to showing the latest in sail and powerboats, cruisers, classic and inland waterways craft, windsurfers, clothing, equipment and watersports.

The largest of the powerboats is the Princess 65, from Marine Projects, priced at £611,500 plus VAT. Richard Matthews, who leads Britain's latest attempt to regain the America's Cup, has the biggest sailing yacht, the £523,800 Oyster 55, built by his east coast company Oyster Marine, while the claim for the smallest and cheapest boat goes to Heyland Marine and its 6ft 3in Tadpole dinghy, priced at £169 plus VAT.

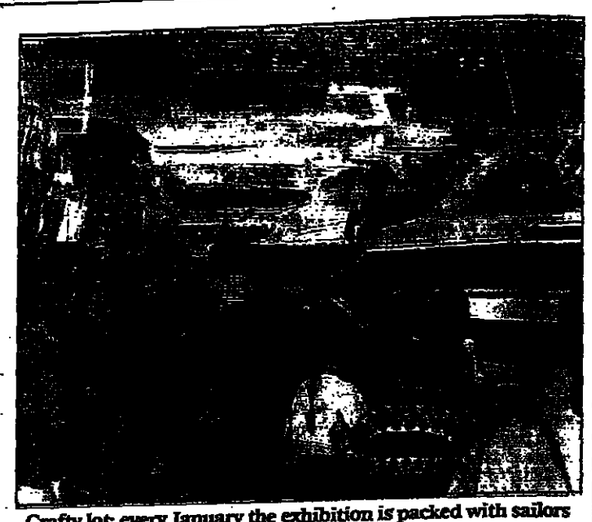
Other features include a "Start Boating" advice centre to give would-be sailors information on facilities and tuition in their home area and a list of boats to suit their needs, as well as sail-hoisting and computer navigation contests to test the fittest and most mathematically-minded visitors.

There are also windsurfing simulators, a playcare centre sponsored by Rover to keep the two- to eight-year-olds amused, together with a towing advice centre, to ensure that buyers select the right sized craft for their cars.

On the racing front, the latest information on Chay Blyth's British Steel Challenge around the world race will be available at an exhibition of photographs taken both on board the yachts and as they rounded Cape Horn last month.

The Teesside Development Corporation, which is also sponsoring this year's two-man Round Britain race leaving Plymouth in July, will have daily live links with its sponsored yacht, Pride of Teesside, from their stand.

The special race exhibition is sited in the Warwick Foyer on the mezzanine floor, immediately above the main entrance to the show, along with the annual Kodak/Cutty Sark marine photographers' exhibition, displaying the very best of sailing pictures taken during the past year by professional and amateur photographers around the world.



Crafty lot: every January the exhibition is packed with sailors

### WHEN AND WHERE FOR THE SHOW

**London International Boat Show at Earls Court: January 7-17.**
**Opening times:** Jan 7 and 14: 10am-9.30pm. Other days: 10am-7pm.
**Admission:** Adults: £7.80. Two children with adult, free. Additional or unaccompanied children: £4.50.
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## Classic boats go on show

Two new craft with a pedigree will be making their first appearance at the boat show, **Keith Wheatley** says

Apart from an ability to float and an identical length, the Hawk 30 and the Horizon 30 have nothing in common. Yet each makes its London boat show debut with a considerable pedigree.

Sunseeker, builder of the Hawk powerboat, is one of Britain's best-known exporters. Virtually every Mediterranean marina houses several Sunseekers. Nigel Mansell, the motor racing world champion, has one at his Florida home. In fact, more than 90 per cent of Sunseeker's production goes overseas. Sunseeker officially describes the Hawk as "a very fast day-boat, radically styled". There is absolutely no doubt about the speed. With top-of-the-range Mercruiser EFI outboards pushing out 890 horse power, the top speed will be well in excess of 60 knots. Fuel consumption at this heady level is about 30 gallons per hour.

"It's a very expensive toy for the sort of person who already has a Ferrari or a Porsche in the garage and wants that sort of performance on the water," Adrian Smith, of Sunseeker, says. "These customers are not making a money decision." Perhaps not, but the purchaser will still have to write the words and figures for £92,369 (including VAT) on the cheque if the ultimate model is ordered.

> 'It's an expensive toy for the person who already has a Ferrari in the garage'

Accommodation on board is limited to a cushioned V-berth in the bow, but no one seriously expects a Hawk owner to sleep aboard.

This boat's natural habitat will be off Spain, where Sunseeker has strong dealerships. So Hawk-spotters will have a better chance of success off Majorca than the Needles. However, Mr Smith is more optimistic. "We will eventually see quite a few on the south coast. It's a bit like owning a classic car. People will wait for a fine day and then pop over to the Isle of Wight."

Sailors of boats made by Hunter, manufacturers of the Horizon 30, do not wait for the sunshine. This producer of classic small yachts has held fast to the production of sensible, well-built craft, a policy which has served it well in a difficult economic climate.

The Horizon represents a shift towards larger craft. "We expect the audience for the Horizon to be people moving up from smaller Hunters or yachtsmen who might once have bought something bigger," says Peter Poland, who founded the company 25 years ago.

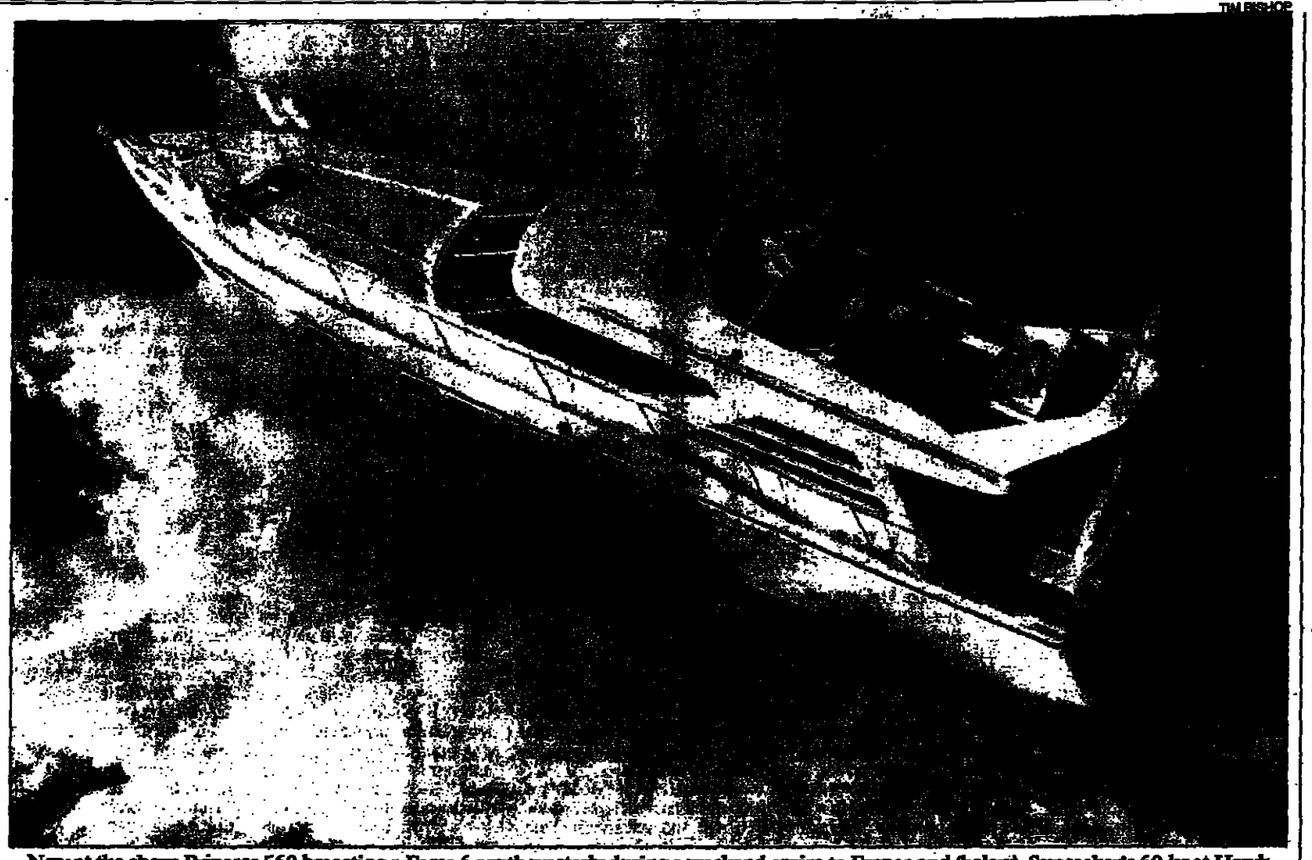
For the past decade the 30ft band has been something of a neglected area. David Thomas, long associated with Hunters and designer of the evergreen Sigmas, has drawn the lines of the Horizon. Perhaps most importantly, he has come up with a twin-keel configuration that really works. "Most bilge-keelers are dogs," Mr Poland says, "but David Thomas has done his sums and come up with a design that really gives equivalent performance to a fin keel."

One reviewer test-sailing the Horizon noted, "the boat tracked well and moved with an easy motion going to windward in a short Solent chop". The reviewer also commented on the beneficial effects of a well-immersed forefoot and a large rudder.

Mr Poland dislikes what he terms "balloon boats" which became so popular in the 1980s. "They were over-fat, over-light, and not enough of them was in the water. Although there was a demand for bigger boats with more accommodation, I didn't want to ever see us going down that road."

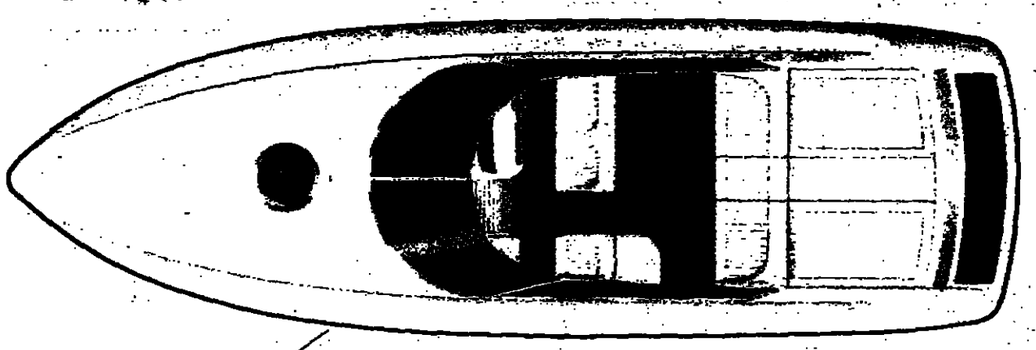
The Horizon will sleep six and, like all Hunter boats, is available in various stages of completion, from kit to fully-finished boat. The cheapest version is £27,359, the most expensive £40,900 (both including VAT).

"I don't want to be the Henry Ford of production boats, but we have the capacity to build a Horizon every fortnight, and I believe we will sell them," Mr Poland says.



TIM BISHOP

New at the show: Princess 560 breasting a Force 6 south-westerly during a weekend cruise to France and (below), Sunseeker's 60-knot Hawk



## A royal start to year of youth

Learning to sail need not break your pocket

The youth sailing initiative launched by the Princess Royal tomorrow marks an important step in encouraging youngsters to take up watersports, stimulating more participation and generating greater interest in racing among the 1,500 sailing clubs around Britain *(Barry Pickthall writes)*.

Rod Carr, the Royal Yachting Association's chief coach, says that sailing need not be expensive. "Youngsters can go down to their local club and crew for someone else. That's how most of us got started," he says.

"They can then progress to sailing the club boat and take part in cadet activities organised during the holidays, before buying a second-hand dinghy of their own which need cost no more than the price of a mountain bike."

More than 3,000 youth sailing and introductory events are planned during the coming 12 months. They start at the boat show and range from taster days in dinghies and windsurfers to weekend and week-long courses, regattas and long-distance events such as the Cutty Sark Tall Ships race starting from Newcastle on July 14.

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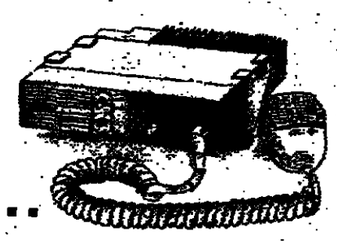
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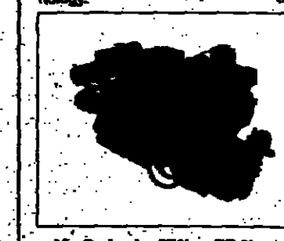
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# Go green in the nineties

**Malcolm McKeag** reports on what one should be seen in, *après-sail*

White is out, green is back, but stronger and more subdued; earthier tones reflect the mood of the caring Nineties. So says David Lewin, of Splashdown, the company that first brought fashion into the chandlery.

The powerboating community, rather than the starry-eyed sailors, are the fashion buyers in boating clothing — but even here, caution and common sense now temper the excesses of the wear-it-once philosophy.

Sailing clothiers coined the phrase *après-sail* hoping that boaters would follow the skiing example and pay more attention to how they looked afterwards.

However, while soggy corduroys and salt-stained jeans have given way to colourways and soft pile, sailors continue to be a conservative bunch. They expect their purchases to last and do not expect to change their wardrobes every season.

Musto and Henri Lloyd, two of the big three boating clothing manufacturers, have joined Splashdown with *après-sail* ranges, and trends are similar.

Musto's Shirts and Strides range features baggy slacks in a new material, Microfleece, matched with pullover shirts with stand-up mandarinesque collars, likewise in strong, subdued colours. High-technology polyester fleece combined with fashionable prints appears in all the new ranges, often in blouson-style jackets.

Micro-fibre fabrics are "peached" — the cloth is drawn over a rotating Carborundum roller — during manufacture to give the surface a soft, velvet feel and even nylons are now as soft as brushed cottons.

The striped rugby shirt, *de rigueur* under the blouson two years ago, is now definitely *passé*. The classic three-button polo shirt, now in 100 per cent cotton piquet, is still a stalwart but a fresh trend is for the tailored sports shirt, with short sleeves and proper collar.

Afoot, the new Dubarry leather yachting boot with Gortex inner lining, is set to cut a dash on the pontoons next year — but beware of cheap imitations. The last leather yachting boot launched on the British market, imported from Italy, was hastily withdrawn when damp-footed boaters discovered that it was made from porous leather. Function still plays its part among even the most fashion-conscious yachties.

# No more sweat

Trax is a new name in thermal clothing. Developed by mountaineer Hamish Hamilton, it first came to prominence in the ocean racing world when Lawrie Smith and his Rothmans crew helped to develop the prototype range during the 1989/90 Whitbread round the world yacht race *(Barry Pickthall writes)*.



Snug and warm: Barry Pickthall

Since then this lightweight intermediate clothing which actually wicks sweat away from the body, has won firm approval with many crews competing in the present British Steel Challenge race around the world.

John Chittenden, skipper of Nuclear Electric, said before heading down into the Southern Ocean: "It's remarkable clothing: warm enough to go right across the Poles in."

I took a suit of pile-lined Trax clothing to keep me warm at Cape Horn while watching these crews round this infamous Cape last month.

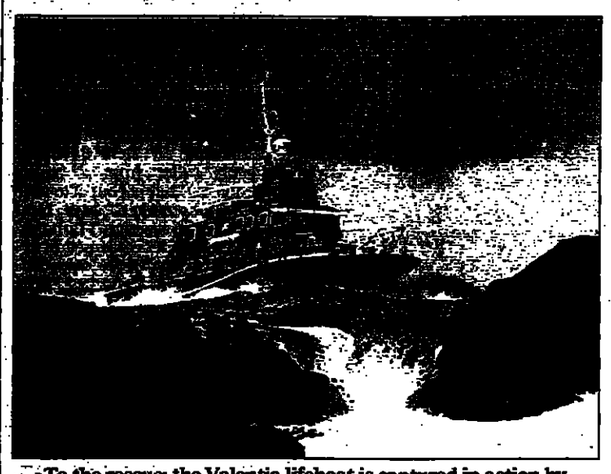
It proved light, unrestricting and kept me warm without causing that clammy feeling so often associated with wearing oilskins. Remarkably, the jacket, with its built-in hood, proved remarkably waterproof despite its "water resistant" only label.

The intermediate "Sailing Shirt" has two-way zips on either side to allow the clothing to breathe during moments of high exertion when body heat can become oppressive, and the trousers, too, have several zips which make them easy to put on and take off. Try the Trax range on for yourself on the Kelvin Hughes stand 381B at the Show.

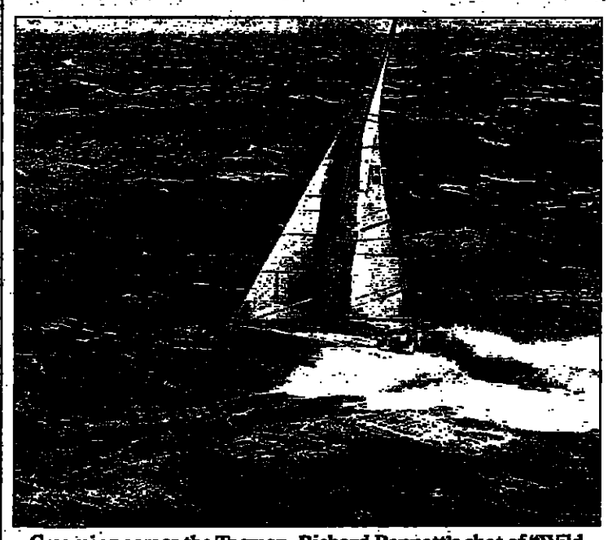
# Caught in the swirling seas

The annual Kodak/Cutty Sark marine photography exhibition featured in the Warwick foyer on the mezzanine floor above the main entrance to the show, attracted more than 500 entries this year. "It's always a difficult task narrowing this number down to forty-odd winners, and this year the standard was higher than ever," Chay Blyth, chairman of the judging panel, says.

The winning shots cover almost every aspect of the sea from ocean racing, air/sea rescues, the Olympics and America's Cup to the Cutty Sark Tall Ships race. The exhibition features the work of such photographers as Rick Tomlinson, Roger Lean-Verco, Mark Pepper, whose pictures often appear in *The Times*, lighthouse keeper George Gilmour, boardsailor Nigel Howell and the adventurer, Skip Novak.



To the rescue: the Valentia lifeboat is captured in action by Rick Tomlinson, who operates from the Isle of Man



Creaming across the Tasman: Richard Bennett's shot of "Wild Thing" touching 30 knots in last year's Melbourne to Hobart race



Self-portrait: windsurfing Maui style by Nigel Howell, from the Isle of Wight

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# Lounging about on a speedy boat



Small sister: Seawings 285 from which the 305 is derived

It used to be a basic assumption of boat design that owners wanted to be able to live aboard their cruisers. Hence the abundance of bunks in cupboards and other cunningly concealed overnight accommodation.

Andrew Johnson, at Crest Marine, has been one smart enough to look at the real world. He and builders Hardy Marine discovered that owners were more likely to use the boat for a Sunday picnic than a sleepaway cruise. Space for day guests was a premium on any boat of about 30ft or less.

The new Seawings 305 (starting at £54,000 plus VAT) from Hardy is a cruiser designed for family use, with the accent on open, usable space. However, the dreaded equation where practical comes to mean slow has been avoided.

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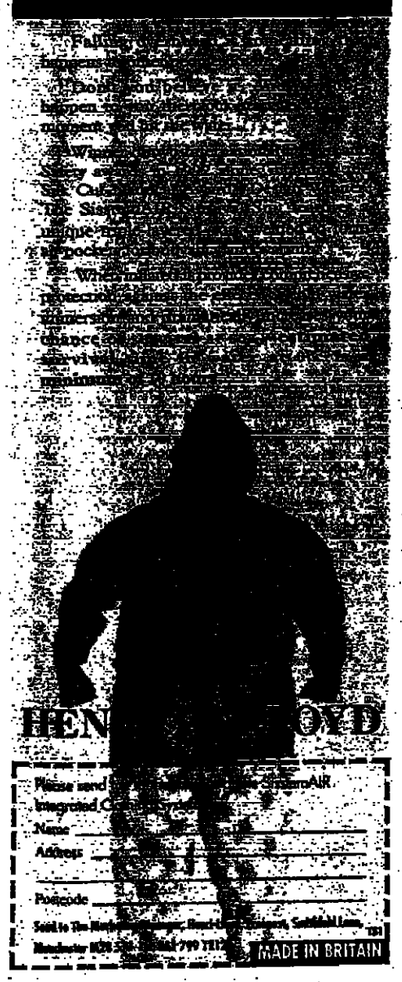
Once any large vessel is cruising at this kind of speed, safety and secure handling become paramount. The sturdy deep-V planing hull and wide side decks ensure that that the 305 is equally at ease offshore or cruising inland waterways — and here one must forget speeds in double figures.

The size jump up from the previous 285 model is quickly accounted for by the generous swimming platform incorporated into the stern of the new boat. The cockpit area has seating space for up to eight people and is ideal for dining, sunbathing, fishing or simply peacefully whiling away the day with a drink.

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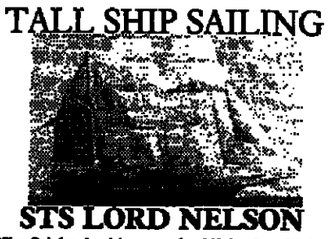
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# The colour turquoise

## Despite the occasional downpour, **Ronald Faux** enjoys the freedom of cruising in Turkish waters


RONALD FAUX

Getting the wind up: the MV Fiddleworth has a diesel engine for the glassier days

The world beats a wake to Ali's door. His restaurant lies at the head of Gerbekse creek, perfectly sheltered by a finger of rock and the rugged coastline of southern Turkey. The building is frankly ramshackle; loosely stitched plyboard and raffia with earthen floors offer sparse protection from the occasional downpour. But it is the only restaurant for miles, the food and wine are excellent and the rain when it falls is warm.

Then there is Ali himself, an engaging drop-out who brings his dinghy stylishly alongside any new arrival as their anchor drops into the turquoise waters of the creek. "I wanna take away your rubbish," he says, and cheerfully gathers the bags of empty bottles, potato peelings and plastic wrappers that proliferate during a sailing cruise.

No mention is made of his restaurant, for this is the Tom Conti/Shirley Valentine approach, the unspoken obligation. By sunset there are charter boats anchored in the creek with crews from France, Sweden, Germany, Italy and Britain, beside wooden gulets, traditional craft that no longer raise a sail but move under power between anchorages. The day's warmth still radiates from the beach when our dinghy grounds on the shingle and Ali wades out obligingly to take a line. The tables are filling with sailing enthusiasts. We would stop for coffee but a ferocious downpour shakes the restaurant and sends the diners rowing anxiously back to their boats to batten down hatches. Ali is unperturbed and sets about repairing his restaurant. It is only a small disaster, and one that will be repeated many times during the season which lasts from April to September. This is August when the *meltem* tends to blow most strongly.

Sailing in Turkey is an ideal relaxation. The craft available for charter to experienced sailors through Top Yacht are what yachtsmen would call well-found. Our own craft, a 37ft Moody called Fiddlewood, was extremely comfortable with a good performance under sail, and a diesel engine for periods of glassy calm.

From the base at Gocek which lies half an hour from Dalaman airport, the cruising grounds extend westwards into the Dodecanese islands of Greece and eastwards towards the Gulf of Antalya. Sailing "bareboat" (that is, without a local skipper) gives a great sense of freedom and these are some of the best Mediterranean sailing areas. Most anchorages, many of them inaccessible by road, have a restaurant where dinner with wine will take maybe three languid hours to consume for less than £10. Alternatively, eat on board in the cockpit as the warm evening wind drifts from the land to shake gently at the halyards.

Having set sail from Turkey it is advisable to remain in Turkish territorial waters. Even though the Greek islands are within easy reach, the bureaucracy and cost involved in landing on one, with customs, passport control, transit log and police inspections, plus the reciprocal red tape when the yacht returns to Turkey, is only worthwhile when the cruise is long enough to allow you to spend several days in Greek waters.

There are enough anchorages, historical ruins, warm winds and ramshackle restaurants in Turkey to keep any yachtsman happy. The Moody 376 has seven berths and the cost per person, including airfare to Dalaman and transfer to Gocek, ranges from £500 to £1,000 depending on when you go and the number on board.

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Residential marinas are working hard to attract custom

# Living by the edge

Keeping one's boat at the end of the garden was a mainstream dream of the 1980s. Marinas combined with residential property mushroomed across the south coast of England, largely inspired by the success of Hythe Marina Village on the western edge of Southampton Water.

In the 1990s the picture looks different. There are too many marinas where either the berths or the houses are unoccupied. That does not necessarily prove the failure of the concept: simply that it is not enough to plonk them down on the water's edge and pronounce them "desirable".

"Nearly all these developments suffer from a basic problem. They got out of touch with the market," says Ian Carter of Sovereign Harbour which is under construction at Eastbourne. "Hythe was the first and is still the best. We went back to basics to do our research."

After the construction company Tarmac acquired the 330-acre site between the east Sussex towns of Eastbourne and Pevensey, an Act of Parliament was needed before work could begin on the first new south coast harbour since the second world war.

At the same time Tarmac used the yachting press to conduct a survey of what boat-owners expect from marinas. Cost concerns were paramount but were usually linked to other worries. Mr Carter says these views have been studied at every stage of construction.

When the marina opens in May there will be 300 berths in the inner harbour, with a minimum draft of 13ft, and 350 berths in the outer harbour, with an 8ft draft. The inner harbour will be serviced by two 24-hour locks.

The structural plan allows for up to 2,000 berths and eventually as many as 1,200 of these will probably be tied to homes. However, it will be fewer for the initial batch because, as Mr Carter says, "It is hardly a great time for selling houses."

One unusual proposition is the Island site within the marina. Here ten acres have been divided into 39 plots where individuals can design and build their own homes. The plots will be fully serviced, with quay-style edges so that residents can moor their boats at the edge of the lawn.

Sovereign Harbour is a treat to come, but Port Solent in the upper reaches of Portsmouth Harbour is a thriving reality. House and apartment sales may still be slow but the management has realised the need to create bustle. "We have 20 shops — trading. Seven restaurants — trading. A six-screen multiplex cinema newly opened. You can't just live off boat-owners. This is very much a part of the Portsmouth community," Christopher Clode, Port Solent's marketing manager, says.


Christopher Clode

Housing reached about half the projected total before the freeze set in. Out of a planned 414 houses, 220 have been built and sold, and of 167 apartments, two-thirds have been built and sold. About 80 per cent of the houses sold have boats "attached", and Mr Clode believes those owners definitely get more use out of their craft.

As the third largest marina in Britain, Port Solent has tried hard to become a destination in its own right.

"We're starting to get a tremendous number of cruising yachts here as the word spreads. At £1.25 per metre per night it is tremendous value as somewhere to come and spend a weekend on your boat," Mr Clode says.

Berth rates at Port Solent have been held for the third year running, and are fixed until March 1994 at £235 per metre plus VAT. Unusually, there is a 5 per cent discount for owners who have kept boats there for two years or more. "In this climate you have to do more than build a house and park a boat next to it to succeed as a marina operator," Mr Clode says.

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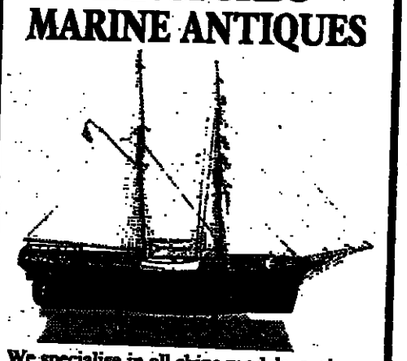

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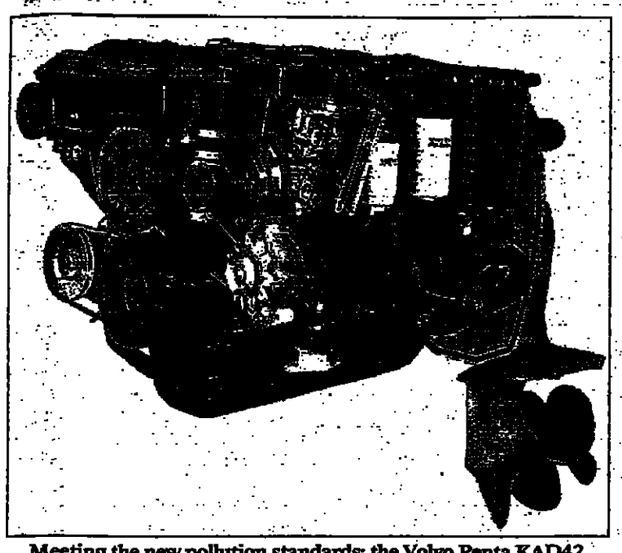
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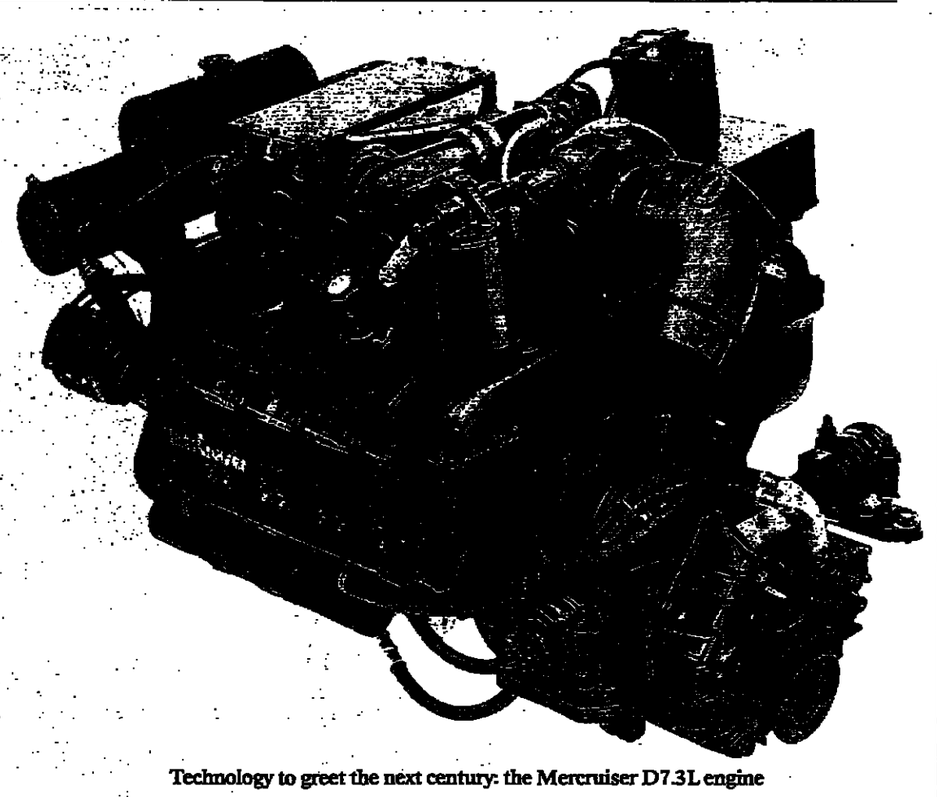
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As Europe tightens marine pollution rules, **Emrhys Barrell** looks at technologies for cutting engine emissions



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# Gear change for engines

The modern marine engine is a highly sophisticated piece of equipment. Whether inboard or outboard, it is a far cry from the inefficient, unreliable monster that used to plague the lives of our seafaring forebears. Until recently, developments have concentrated on increasing power, fuel economy and reliability, but lately a new parameter has entered the equation: environmental friendliness.

On most boats the exhaust from the engine either exists underwater, or close to the waterline, or it is mixed with water before being discharged overboard.

In the case of most inland boats, this water is increasingly being used as a drinking supply, and is in any case a home to other living creatures. Some lakes in Europe, such as the Bodensee in Germany, have already established maximum emission levels. The hunt is on for the green engine.

Marine engines fall into three categories, diesels, four-stroke petrols, and two-stroke petrols, and each has followed its own development route. In the case of diesels, increased power has come about mainly by turbocharging, and increasing the rpm they run at. At the same time, direct injection rather than indirect has been introduced, to improve fuel economy and cold-starting.

These developments have sometimes brought about their own problems in the form of increases in smoke and emissions, which have then had to be countered by alterations to the combustion chamber and injector design. The leading marine engine manufacturer, Volvo Penta, is introducing a range of engines this year claimed to meet stringent new legislation on European lakes.

The ultimate is the use of electronic control over the whole combustion process, which is being developed on some of the larger units, and will gradually work its way down to the everyday engines.

Petrol engines can be either two-stroke or four-stroke. The typical outboard motor is a two-stroke, and this can cause particular environmental problems, for two reasons. Firstly the engine lubricating oil is mixed into the petrol, rather than being pumped round from the sump. Thus it is burnt, and expelled into the exhaust. Secondly the combustion process itself is less efficient than a four-stroke, with consequently greater amounts of unburnt fuel.

Manufacturers have improved the tolerances of the engines, to allow reduced levels of oil in the mixture. At the same time, oil injection is being used increasingly, with the oil introduced to the fuel just prior to the cylinder in a controlled amount. The next step forward in the cleaning up process of the outboard is to go over to four-stroke engines that burn more efficiently. Setting the example, Honda now has an all four-stroke range of outboards that meet the regulations on the Bodensee.

With the exception of one or two models, the other important manufacturers in the outboard market have shown little or no interest in four-strokes, but judging by the situation in the motor-cycle world, where the big four Japanese makers went four-stroke after the threat of environmental restrictions on their two-strokes, the outboard market could follow suit.

Of course, the ultimate environmentally friendly marine propulsion unit is the electric motor. With no fumes, no noise, and no pollution, this is rapidly gaining in popularity on the rivers of Europe and America.

The technology is already well-tried and perfected, with motors running from readily available batteries and chargers, or even solar power.

At present, the drawback is a comparatively restricted range, with only one or two days cruising between recharges, which in most cases limits its use to boats that come back to base every day. However, increasing interest in the principle by river authorities and electricity boards is encouraging the installation of networks of recharging points.

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# How to beat recession

## Go-getters escape the gloom in the luxury boating market

With the economy still bumping along the bottom, the luxury boat business is not in the most buoyant state. Several companies have been forced to close their doors, not because of mismanagement or poor products, but simply because long term lack of economic confidence has led to a drop in orders.

In a recent survey by the British Marine Industries Federation, 65 per cent of its members were less than optimistic about the immediate future. That compared with 51 per cent who expected the market to remain on a level footing when polled in a similar survey shortly before the general election.

The latest figures also show that 64 per cent of companies experienced a downturn in home sales during the summer months when the market normally experiences a rise. For 40 per cent exports too have fallen, the chief obstacles being increased competition, a similar lack of confidence to that dogging the home market and uncertainties over exchange rates and impending VAT changes.

> Low value of sterling is a selling point

Bad debts also picture. Of the companies sampled, only 3 per cent stated that bad debt experiences had improved over the past six months, 55 per cent signalled that matters had remained the same, and 42 per cent said they were worse.

For many companies, the prospects for the winter months remain bleak. Only 1 per cent expected excellent sales and 40 per cent viewed the immediate future with moderate optimism. Forty-five per cent expected the industry to remain in a poor state for the foreseeable future.

Despite this widespread foreboding, there are companies — invariably the go-getters — that are not just keeping afloat but exploiting the low value of sterling abroad to increase market share at home.

Sunseeker International, one of the biggest names in the powerboat market, exported 96 per cent of its production last year — £30 million worth of powerboats — to the Continent, the United States, Japan, the Far East and Malaysia.

Robert Braithwaite, the managing director, forecasts continued, though cautious, growth with a swing in sales towards larger craft. "We do of course recognise the continuing down-turn in world trade, and though we may not have matched our best years, thanks to our knowledge of the market and strong dealer network, the company is still growing comfortably at close to 15 per cent a year."

Fairline Boats PLC, the only public company within the marine sector, has seen a £613,000 loss, posted during the first six months, reduce to £510,000 during the second half of the year, helping shares to rise from a low of £1.10 to £2.30. "The devaluation of the pound has had a dramatic effect on orders," says Sam Newington, the managing director. "Things certainly look a lot more cheerful than they were back in August."

Last year, this Norfolk-based company exported 80 per cent of its output to Germany, France, Italy and Spain and is looking to develop a stronger presence in other parts of the Continent and the Far East. Some models, such as the Fairline 36 Brava, have been designed specifically for export and the Targa 38 open cockpit performance cruiser launched at the London Show has already won a number of orders from abroad.

Marine Projects, the Plymouth-based builders of Princess powerboats and Sigma and Moody yachts, exported more than £40 million worth of boats last year, amounting to 83 per cent of production. The company is exhibiting four new models at the London show including the 68ft 6in Princess 65, plans to launch three more during 1993, and expects a modest expansion by next year.

David King, the managing director, has a pragmatic view about the immediate future. "We have seen an increase in overseas enquiries and these have now begun to turn into firm business which includes orders for three Princess 65s."

The sailboat market has not weathered the recession as well as the powerboat sector, although Keith Crossley maintains that his company, Rival Bowman, has enjoyed steady business over the past 12 months. Rival exports 50 per cent of its production, mainly to Holland, Belgium and Germany, and Mr Crossley expects this to increase soon.

Equipment manufacturers such as Lewmar Marine, Nautech, Navico and Brookes & Gatehouse have overcome the down-turn in new boat sales by concentrating on improving their product ranges.

Both Nautech and B&G have increased the size of their manufacturing plant to improve their product base. Robin Worboys, marketing manager at B&G, says that investment in new product areas, such as autopilots, and further development of instruments led to a 40 per cent increase in sales last year.

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# A navigation gift free from the Americans




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## Civilians can benefit from GPS, a satellite system which the US uses to guide its military machine

The Gulf war brought an unexpected bonus to many British yachtsmen — undreamed-of accuracy in their navigation. For anyone using the latest GPS (Global Positioning System) technology, the period of the conflict saw their position-finding instruments, already accurate to within 200 metres, improve to an accuracy of ten metres and less.

The reason was two-fold. GPS is a system using satellites put in space by the United States military for the guidance of its own ships and aeroplanes, but one which the rest of the world uses *gratis* simply because it is there.

The Americans say they do not mind — but to make sure that their nuclear submarines and airborne bomb-aimers can keep an edge on the competition, the signals which general civil code GPS receivers can pick up are deliberately degraded, to make them less accurate than receivers using the military code. The concept is known as Selective Availability.

The accuracy of any receiver, civil or military, depends also on the number of satellites overhead, or nearly so — and during the build-up to the Allied assault, the Americans carefully steered their GPS satellites into orbits along the latitude of the Persian Gulf. Fortunately for British yachtsmen, the Persian Gulf and the British Isles are on much the same latitude band.

Something else that happened in the build-up to the fighting was the issuing, to virtually every soldier and vehicle, of individual GPS receivers to assist them to navigate the trackless wastes of the desert. Many of these were civilian-produced receivers and when the fighting started, the Americans abandoned Selective Availability, so that civilian receivers were as accurate as military sets.

The story carries a warning, however, reminding all GPS users that, in time of war, they are at the mercy of the US military machine. In another war the Americans might simply re-code the satellites, retune their own receivers and leave everyone else in the dark.

So far, the Americans have let the world use GPS for free — indeed until the end of this year the system was officially still experimental. With Bill Clinton in the White House there are those who see the days of such US largess to be limited. The GPS satellites could easily be coded to behave like pay-as-you-view television satellites, communing only with those GPS receivers whose owners had paid whatever fee the Americans might set.

All that, however, is still in the might-be stage. For the moment more and more yachtsmen are buying — and more manufacturers are assembling and marketing — GPS receivers.

The latest models feature graphic displays which, like a computer game, show the ship and the way she is heading; many interface directly with electronic charts and the smallest hand-held versions, such as the Magellan issued to the troops in the Gulf, or the new Trimble Ensign, are no bigger than the remote control for your video.

Even so, it may pay not to throw away the hand-bearing compass just yet.

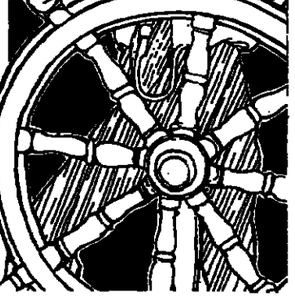
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## Bosnia talks back from the brink

■ The Bosnia peace talks were rescued from the verge of collapse after an hour of intense negotiations by Lord Owen and Cyrus Vance stopped the Muslim delegation walking out. All parties will return to Geneva for further talks at the weekend, but there are still serious differences to be overcome.

The conference ran into deep trouble as the Muslim-led Bosnian government and the rebel Serbs clashed over the future shape of the Balkan state..... **Pages 1,7**

## Police hunt £20,000 hit man

■ Police unravelling the complex financial dealings of Donald Urquhart, shot dead in London on Saturday, were examining a theory that his killing was carried out by contract assassins, thought responsible for up to five other murders. They believe his killer may have been hired for £20,000.....**Page 1**

### Ulster fears grow

Security forces in Northern Ireland fear that the Loyalists' new year offensive will grow to involve car bombs and devices against republican targets on both sides of the border..... **Page 1**

### Challenge by ITV

The 15 ITV companies and the Independent Television Commission have asked the Monopolies and Mergers Commission to overturn a report by the Office of Fair Trading that claims independent programme makers are given an unfair deal..... **Page 2**

### Blow to Lamont

Norman Lamont suffered a new blow when leaders of Britain's biggest companies said they had lost confidence in the Chancellor and that he was not the right man to run the economy **Page 2**

### Appeal on shooting

Detectives seeking the man who shot dead John "Benjie" Stanley as he queued at a shop in Moss Side, Manchester, have appealed to a woman who contacted them after the murder to come forward..... **Page 3**

### Hail to the chief

President Bush arrived home from Somalia and Moscow on his last foreign trip as president to praise from a US media that has recently found little right with his leadership .. **Pages 8,13**

### Churchill row brews

John Charmley's radical reappraisal of the life of Churchill and Alan Clark's article in *The Times* on Saturday have turned second war history into a battlefield and shattered scholarly consensus ..... **Pages 5,13**

### Car sales jump

Sales of new cars jumped by 30 per cent last month to offer the government convincing evidence that the worst of the recession could be over..... **Page 1**

### Horse mutilated

Chiltern Hills, a retired hunter belonging to a property company chairman, has been mutilated in an attack in Buckinghamshire which could be latest of hundreds..... **Page 6**

### Informer sought

Israeli police are seeking an Arab informer who apparently killed his Shin Bet minder in the latest bloody encounter between Israel and the Hamas Islamic resistance movement..... **Page 9**

### Hanging decision

At one minute past five this morning Westley Allan Dodd, 31, a murderer and child-molester, was the first person hanged in the US for almost 30 years, unless eleventh-hour legal moves succeeded..... **Page 8**

### Albert Hall refit

The Albert Hall has had a spectacular refit in preparation for a season of performances by the Bolshoi Ballet, Russia's celebrated artistic company, which opens on Saturday and continues to February 14..... **Page 3**

## Man who stole had money to burn

■ Kevin Wright, 34, of Essex, was paid up to £1,500 a month by the Bank of England to incinerate old banknotes. When he fell victim to temptation and stole £170,000 of them he put down a £45,000 deposit on a new home, had a £6,700 Seychelles holiday with his wife, and bought a Land-Rover. Harrow Crown Court jailed him for 4½ years..... **Page 3**



Faces of hope: two Somali children wait in a Red Cross camp in Mogadishu as the politicians talk on in Addis Ababa. **Pages 1,9**

**Markets:** The London stock market closed at a record in its first 1993 trading day. The FT-SE 100 Index finished up 15 points at 2861.50. The pound, however, suffered from a strong dollar despite weakness in the mark following the resignation of the German finance minister. Sterling closed at $1.5005, down 1.45 cents, after dipping to $1.4972 at 3pm..... **Page 21**

**Bundesbank power:** The German central bank could decide to hold off a rate cut and wreak much havoc, but the motativation would be economic, not political. A good excuse for a rate cut will not present itself much before February or March..... **Page 25**

**Bank strike:** A one-day strike has been called at the TSB this Friday in protest against more than 1,000 job losses..... **Page 23**

**Rent sweet home:** Are government moves to encourage renting about to change the British attitude to property ownership?..... **Page 11**

**Yardarm, please:** British liaison officers in Bosnia apparently regard early-morning slugs of slivovitz plum brandy with Bosnian commanders as a chore. This would surely bring wry smiles to those who survived another war in the former Yugoslavia..... **Page 11**

**All at sea:** Sail enthusiasts will find plenty of interest at Earls Court. A four-page special report gives all the information on the 39th London Boat Show..... **Pages 16,19**

**Baez is back:** Joan Baez is making records again at 51: "If I want to create some things I can be proud of before I start five years of farewell concerts from my wheelchair. I have to put the other stuff on hold for a time"..... **Page 29**

**Rome-ing in the gloaming:** Edinburgh exhibitions explore artistic Scotland-Italy links..... **Page 30**

**Japanese discovery:** British architect Nigel Coates is finding favour here, but Japan gave him his first commissions..... **Page 31**

**Behind Branagh:** Kenneth Branagh owes his film fundraising success to Stephen Evans, whose producing has until now been a part-time occupation..... **Page 31**

**The forgotten illness:** In 1985 *The Times* launched a campaign on schizophrenia. It aimed to sweep away the secrecy, to stimulate research and to stem the disaster about to hit the country after the *1983 Mental Health Act sought to minimise institutional care.* Have these aims been realised?. **Page 10**

**Hidden crisis:** Last September, 143,000 families were accepted as homeless and the number given temporary accommodation was 65,230. The figures underline the struggle facing not only the homeless applicant but also the authorities administering it..... **Page 33**

**Cricket:** Graham Gooch, the England captain, fell cheaply against Delhi at Faridabad to miss his first chance on the India tour to score a 100th century..... **Page 36**

**Rugby union:** Danie Craven, the voice of South African rugby and the man who helped it towards racial integration, died at his home in Stellenbosch at 82. **Pages 40,15**

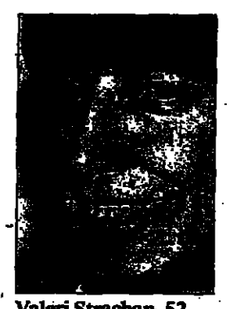
**Football:** David Miller talks to Andy Roxburgh, the Scotland coach, who flew to Baltimore to spread the gospel to 3,000 aspiring American coaches as the United States builds towards the 1994 World Cup finals..... **Page 38**



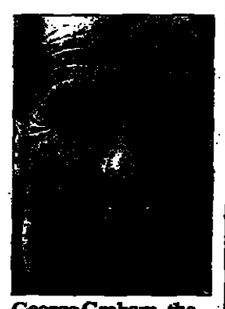
**Lu Ping, Peking's director of Hong Kong affairs, said the colony may face "a lot of hardship" if Chris Patten continues to press political reform** Page 9



**Kevin Maxwell was a figure of public adulation just before his father's empire collapsed, according to Serious Fraud Office documents** Page 21



**Valeri Strachan, 52, who moves up to head Customs and Excise from April, noted "slight" prejudice from men during her rise through the ranks** Page 2



**George Graham, the Arsenal manager, was charged with misconduct by the FA for remarks after last month's 0-1 defeat at Tottenham** Page 38

At 15 David Ford was given a life sentence for manslaughter. Now 43, he has been in and out of jail ever since. His story is told in *First Tuesday: Prisoner On the Run* (ITV, 10.40pm)..... **Page 39**

### Widen the market

The Poles, Czechs and Hungarians have made important strides forward over the past year and deserve a better deal than the vague promise of Community membership some time at the beginning of the 21st century..... **Page 13**

### Care for mentally ill

The central task, identified in successive government reports, is to design services that give people what they want rather than exalting any particular good above all others..... **Page 13**

### Save our galleries

The United Kingdom needs a system of classifying and supporting its national heritage in galleries and museums as systematic as in France..... **Page 13**

### JANET DALEY

Concentrating the sale of food into the hands of a very small number of businesses who may then charge pretty much what they like, aiming what competitiveness they deign to engage in at the richer sections of the population — better wine, fresh pasta, more parking space — is an object lesson in the causes of British economic decline..... **Page 12**

### RICHARD HOPE

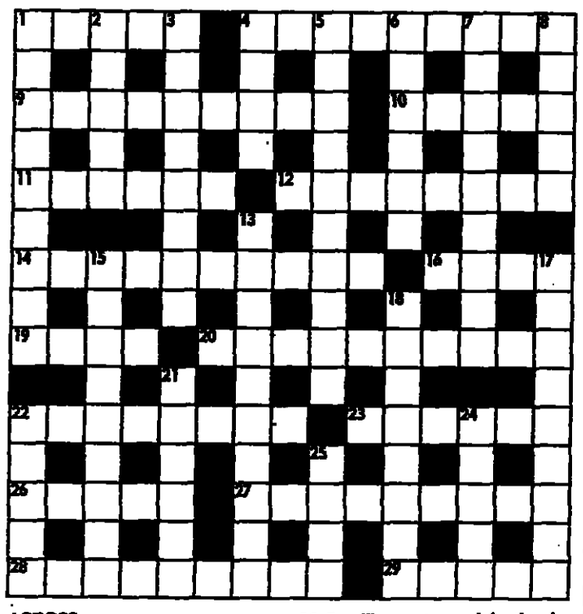
Senior BR managers are emerging stunned from management buy-out seminars in which they are told to reject fuddy-duddy ideas of "vocation". Instead, they must be "red-blooded" — running trains on a shoestring for three years to create an illusory "profit" before selling out. Inevitably, this means lying to staff..... **Page 12**

Responses to Alan Clark's preview of a book reassessing Churchill's wartime achievements..... **Page 13**

Both Americans and Europeans are going to have trouble with an increasingly important defect in the EC as it now stands. The 12 countries have never made up their minds whether they are building a real political union or only a loose confederation of sovereign nations

*The Washington Post*

## THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 19,119



**ACROSS**

1 A venture lasting to all eternity, they say (5).
4 Boat made of tin going about a river (9).
9 Clear out of one class (9).
10 Tease American about sweetheart (5).
11 Happen to be before time (6).
12 Fencing with a friend is a duel without seconds (8).
14 Little Tich's cobbler must have worked here finally (2,4,4).
16 Stick up letters after work (4).
19 You can hear rabbits sleep (4).
20 Deficiency — various instances start to surface (10).
22 Rally is held in port in Alabama (8).
23 Property of French art gallery (6).
26 Bearlike creature originating in 12 (5).
27 Know-how can make tax bold instead of conservative (9).
28 The lady's got a beautiful valley, with a river, to paint (9).
29 German left the course (5).

**DOWN**

1 Height above sea level not attained by P.G.'s (9).
2 Joey's tree-top perch (5).
3 Docile bear in the middle of Hungary (8).
4 Persuade business to take short cut (4).
5 Social occasion that ends an assembly (3,7).
6 Prophet's patchwork (6).
7 A girl more fitted for rambling (9).
8 Steel carried in container vessel (5).
13 Wool owner is a disgrace to his family (5,5).
15 By turning up in the city precincts layabout is identified (4-5).
17 Let assets get squandered without discernment (9).
18 A spell of Merlin's beginning to trouble troubadour (8).
21 Will appeals to umpire finally (6).
22 Bicycle was blue (5).
24 An easterner, like Mr Fleming (5).
25 Knocks up box here (4).

**Solution to Puzzle No 19,118**

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Scotland and Northern Ireland will have sunny spells and blustery showers — heaviest in the north and west. England and Wales will start wet and windy. Drier weather will edge south-eastwards, to reach the Midlands and south-western counties this afternoon and south-east England late this evening. Windy on western coasts. Milder in eastern England than of late. Outlook: unsettled, with rain. Windy in north and west; fairly mild in south.

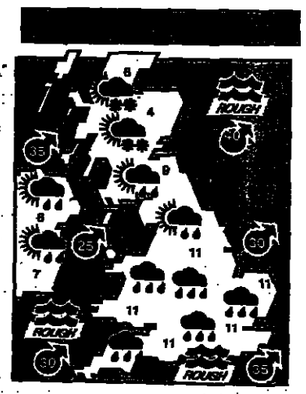
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| Belfast | - | 0.15 | 7 | 45 | rain |
| Birmingham | 0.1 | - | 0 | 32 | bright |
| Bognor Regis | 7.1 | - | 4 | 39 | sunny |
| Bournemouth | 5.8 | - | 6 | 43 | sunny |
| Bristol | 2.8 | - | 3 | 37 | sunny |
| Buxton | - | - | -2 | 28 | cloudy |
| Cardiff | 3.6 | - | 5 | 41 | sunny |
| Clacton | 6.2 | - | 3 | 37 | sunny |
| Cromer | 5.8 | - | 1 | 34 | sunny |
| Douglas | - | - | 5 | 41 | cloudy |
| Edinburgh | 0.5 | - | 8 | 46 | bright |
| Eskdalemuir | 0.8 | - | 2 | 36 | cloudy |
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| Folkestone | 7.0 | - | 1 | 34 | sunny |
| Glasgow | - | - | 4 | 39 | cloudy |
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| Jersey | 6.8 | - | 3 | 37 | sunny |
| Kinloss | - | - | 8 | 46 | cloudy |
| Leeds | 3.8 | - | 0 | 32 | bright |
| Lerwick | - | - | 7 | 45 | gale |
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| Liverpool | 1.8 | - | 1 | 34 | bright |
| London | 4.3 | - | 4 | 39 | sunny |
| Lowestoft | 4.8 | - | 3 | 37 | sunny |
| Manchester | 3.5 | - | 1 | 34 | sunny |
| Minehead | 3.6 | - | 6 | 43 | sunny |
| Morecambe | 2.3 | - | 3 | 37 | bright |
| Newcastle | 2.4 | - | -1 | 30 | bright |
| Newquay | - | - | 7 | 45 | cloudy |
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| Plymouth | 1.9 | - | 5 | 41 | bright |
| Poole | 5.3 | - | 6 | 43 | sunny |
| Prestwick | - | - | 5 | 41 | cloudy |
| Skegness | 2.1 | - | 6 | 43 | bright |
| Scarborough | 3.2 | - | 0 | 32 | bright |
| Scilly Isles | - | - | 5 | 41 | cloudy |
| Shanklin | 6.6 | - | 5 | 41 | sunny |
| Southsea | 6.7 | - | 5 | 41 | sunny |
| Stornoway | - | 0.39 | 8 | 46 | rain |
| Swanage | 6.2 | - | 6 | 43 | sunny |
| Teignmouth | 3.9 | - | 7 | 45 | sunny |
| Tenby | - | - | 6 | 43 | cloudy |
| Thurso | - | 0.58 | 7 | 45 | rain |
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| Wick | - | - | 6 | 43 | cloudy |
| Worthing | 6.8 | - | 4 | 39 | sunny |

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

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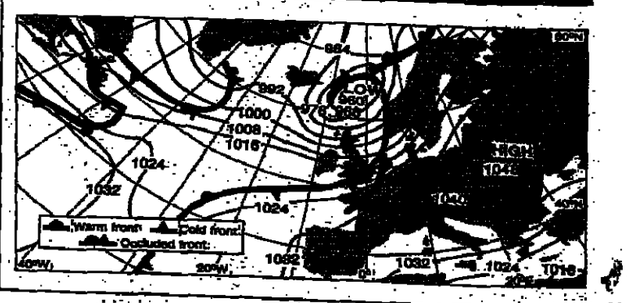
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| Canada $ | 2.035 | 1.875 |
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| Finland Mkk | 8.61 | 8.01 |
| France Fr | 8.88 | 8.18 |
| Germany Dm | 2.60 | 2.40 |
| Greece Dr | 346.00 | 323.00 |
| Hong Kong $ | 12.25 | 11.25 |
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| Japan Yen | 205.50 | 188.50 |
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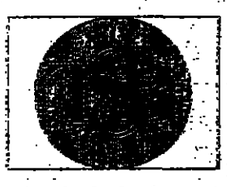
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# Shares usher in 1993 with an all-time high

BY MICHAEL CLARK AND PHILIP PANGALOS

**■ Despite the strategists' view that 1993 will not be a year of strong market gains the FT-SE 100 index enjoyed a record close on the first new year share trading day**

THE London stock market began the new year as it ended 1992, with share prices extending their record-breaking run, helped by renewed support from American investors.

The FT-SE 100 index enjoyed a 32-point turnround, inspired by futures, to end 1993's first trading session 15 points up at an all-time high of 2,861.5. At one stage, the index was more than 21 points up, before the late appearance of profit takers, who helped to boost turnover to 606 million shares.

But most of the day's action was focused on the futures market, where the March series was chased higher by Salomon Brothers, the New York securities house, and Baring Brothers. The future touched a high for the day of 2,888 before settling at 2,881, a premium of 20 points over the cash market. Dealers said there was strong American support for the future, which was regarded as good value on a risk/reward basis.

New year share recommendations featured strongly, investors still taking the view that 1993 will be a year of economic recovery.

Government securities saw early losses of £½ reduced to £¼ on the back of stronger bond markets around Europe. Investors were impressed by the Bundesbank's efforts to support the French franc.

Further signs that consumers are gaining confidence has been provided by the EC-Gallup poll. This shows that, in Britain, the balance of 27 per cent of consumers who had become less confident in November fell to 22 per cent in December.

After 1992, which saw the highest amount of money raised by new issues for five years, brokers are looking forward to more new issues, as well as the sale of the final 21.8 per cent government stake in BT.

Most new issues are expected to be MBOs, which tend to have structured management teams. But gone are the days when an entrepreneur or the chairman of a small company would take the company public. Poor liquidity, increased costs, the demise of the Unlisted Securities Market and depressed economic conditions have taken their toll.

"We're never going to get back to the days of the eighties ... for some, flotation was the end rather than the beginning," said Neil Austin, head of new issues at KPMG Corporate Finance.

However, Mr Austin thinks a significant, and increasing, number of companies are planning flotations. These range from companies needing to raise funds in the next 12 to 18 months, particularly MBO companies that have to repay debt, to private companies seeking funds for expansion.

Most activity is expected in the latter half of the year, with new issues encouraged by a buoyant stock market and a reasonable degree of confidence.

However, companies coming to the market in 1993 face increased competition for funds from gilt issues to help the government's funding programme, as well as further rights issues from companies aiming to tap a buoyant market.


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# Bonn upheaval blunts assault on ERM

BY WOLFGANG MÜNCHAU

THE exchange-rate mechanism survived the much-predicted new year assault shaken but intact, helped by central bank intervention and Sunday's resignation of Jürgen Möllemann as Germany's economic minister.

The political upheaval in Bonn had a negative impact on the mark. That, in turn, mitigated the speculative assault on the French franc and on the Irish punt, the two most endangered ERM currencies.

The franc hit the critical divergence threshold, a danger signal that presumes a policy response by the authorities. The Bundesbank intervened in support of the franc, which closed against the mark still comfortably above its Fr3.4305 ERM loor at Fr3.4170. The key French intervention rate was left unchanged at 9.1 per cent.

The overall gainer was the dollar, which rose by 1.5 cents against sterling to close a fraction over $1.50 in London.

The mark/franc relationship will be strongly influenced by this morning's announcement of the interest rate on the Bundesbank's 15-day securities repurchase tender. A rate of below 8.75 per cent, the previous fixed rate, would be interpreted as pointing to an easing of German policy, and hence good news for the franc.

Herr Möllemann's resignation dominated market sentiment by adding to the sense of economic crisis in Germany. However, the minister's departure could change the mood. He was considered a lightweight in a difficult portfolio, and his replacement might smooth the path to a solidarity pact aimed at solving the country's most urgent economic problems.


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ADRIAN BROOKS

Relaxing over the holiday break: the Wassall team of Chris Miller, chief executive, left, David Roper, finance director, and Philip Turner, corporate development, right, returned yesterday to the business of its £94.3 million cash offer for Evode, the Evo-Stik maker. Walsall has until Monday to raise its offer or make its bid final. Evode has urged shareholders to reject the bid in a defence document that accuses Wassall of making "alarmist claims" about Evode's capital structure (Patricia Tehan writes).

Andrew Simon, Evode's chairman, dismissed as misleading Wassall's claims that Evode is close to breaching a further covenant that would allow holders of its US redeemable preference shares to demand immediate payment. John Pratt, Evode's finance director, said the company is confident that it will not breach any financial ratio that could lead to a redemption. Mr Simon said: "Wassall's description of Evode's recent 40 per cent increase in pre-tax profit and 38 per cent reduction in net borrowings as 'unsatisfactory' undermines Wassall's arguments."

Mr Miller said the document was "strident but a bit thin". He was disappointed not to see a profits forecast, statement of current trading or mention of its cash generating ability. Wassall next move is expected this week.

# Wimpey still sees poor prospects

BY MARTIN WALLER
*DEPUTY CITY EDITOR*

GEORGE Wimpey, one of Britain's biggest construction and housebuilding groups, has primed the market to expect "substantial further provisions" against the value of housing land and commercial property in the results for the 1992 financial year.

The group has sold its shopping centre at Clayton Square in Liverpool for £20 million, but the development is in the books at £31 million, necessitating an £11 million charge taken in the profit and loss account.

"This will have only a minimal effect on the balance sheet, as a provision had already been made in the 1991 accounts," the company said.

But Wimpey drew the market's attention to the poor prospects that face the big builders and that will be reflected in the forthcoming results season this spring.

The year-end review, which will include an evaluation of residential land values and commercial property activities, would, therefore, result in the further provisions, to be incorporated in the 1992 results that are due to be announced in March.

Sir Clifford Chetwood, the chairman of Wimpey until the end of last year, has said on several occasions that the recession in the construction industry could last until 1995, forecasting a fall in output that will continue through this year before gradually slowing next year, and analysts are expecting little in the way of profits until then. Sir John Quinton has succeeded Sir Clifford as chairman.

But the latest announcement sent the shares into a sharp reverse, to 109p before further consideration led to a recovery and they ended up 1p at 115p.


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# Silver dollar dropped before Maxwell penny

BY NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

EVEN the Maxwell family get fan mail. Documents from the Serious Fraud Office show that Kevin Maxwell was the unlikely figure of public adulation in the weeks before his father's business empire collapsed at the end of 1991.

Last November, one lady from Liverpool "felt compelled to say how much I admire what you and your brother are doing and to wish you well for the future". She even sent him cash, in the form of a lucky dollar coin. "I was given this a long time ago and nothing too terrible has ever happened to me ... I do hope it brings you luck, particularly in the coming weeks."

Unfortunately, the luck did not rub off. Days later, Kevin Maxwell's attempt to rescue his father's empire collapsed when administrators were appointed to the private companies and Maxwell Communication Corporation.

Last September, he suffered a further blow when he became Britain's biggest bankrupt with debts of £406 million, after a petition by the liquidator of Bishopsgate Investment Management, the manager of the Maxwell pension funds. Mr Maxwell described his fate as "a very public humbling".

Not all of Mr Maxwell's fans were quite so altruistic. One financial adviser wrote to offer deepest sympathy at the death of his father and to wish him and Ian, his brother, every success in the running of the company. The correspondent turned out to be a life assurance salesman.

"I note that a £20 million accident policy on your father's life was held not by the family but by Mirror Group Newspapers and Maxwell Communication Corporation," he states. "Obviously your father appreciated the value of life assurance in the running of his business as I trust do you and your brother. I am writing to arrange a suitable time ... to discuss a policy which would be of benefit to yourselves, your lenders and your shareholders."

There is no record of any reply. But the letter is cold comfort for the lenders and shareholders of the Maxwell companies, who have lost more than £3 billion in the collapse and dismemberment of the Maxwell empire.



Fan mail: Kevin Maxwell received letters from well-wishers

# So far, so good for sales at Storehouse

BY OUR DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

STOREHOUSE, the refocused retail combine now mainly comprising British Home Stores and Mothercare, has issued the retail sector's first statement on Christmas trading, suggesting a rising sales trend had continued in the holiday period.

Marks and Spencer is today expected to give its own view of high street conditions. That and similar statements due this month from other retailers such as Ratners, Boots and Dixons Group will be watched keenly by analysts for signs of an upturn, after indications of successful trading during the first week of the year-end sales.

Storehouse said Christmas trading was in line with expectations and consistent with the trend of year-on-year sales rises over the past 15 months. These had shown growth of 8 to 9 per cent. The first week of sales after Christmas had also been encouraging.

A Storehouse spokesman said the good Christmas performance compared with strong trading the previous year and largely reflected sales by BhS, a seasonal business. Trading last week had been "astronomical" he said. "The first day of the sales was as good as we have had in any of the single days before Christmas in total value," he added.

Julie Ramshaw, retail analyst at Morgan Stanley, had expected a satisfactory statement from Storehouse. "They are still tracking up to 10 per cent sales growth, and the sales have started very well," she added. "But one has to continue saying, one swallow does not a summer make."


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RPI: 139.7 November (1987=100)
* Denotes midday trading price

# Wimpey prepares the ground for loss

GEORGE Wimpey has told the market little more than that the 1992 results season for builders will be truly hideous, which is something even the most inexperienced market-watcher should have taken on board. Little surprise, therefore, that the shares, after dipping to 109p in the wake of a warning of "substantial further provisions" for 1992, ended the day a penny higher at 115p.

The news was contained within the announcement of a fairly unexciting and well-signposted property deal that will bring in a much-needed £20 million, but increase those provisions by £11 million. Widely estimated by the market to be in the £75 million to £80 million area, they will now top £100 million, sign-posting a plunge into the red pre-tax for the full year. Corporate life is seldom kind, but it must be especially galling for Sir Clifford Chetwood to see such clear indications of the group's decline just four days after his retirement and handover of the chairmanship to Sir John Quinton.

Last year, Wimpey wrote off more than £110 million, £46 million on its house-building side and £12 million from its involvement in the Channel tunnel. Once the dust settles, the group will end up with little in the way of profit from the project, analysts now believe.

Current year profit forecasts are a purely academic exercise, to say little of 1994 when the first fruits of recovery will come in, although a figure of £12 million for 1993 and perhaps double that for 1994 is being mooted. This year, contracting will continue to bleed cash and any upturn in housebuilding will be limited. The pound's devaluation since Black Wednesday has meant debt, much of it in dollars, of £180 million at the start of the year.

Wimpey, like many other builders, is being judged entirely on dividend yield, an expected 6.1 per cent if a halved but probably still uncovered payment is made in both 1992 and 1993. It seems far too early in the cycle for the shares to be considered a recovery stock.



Taking over: Sir John Quinton, who became chairman of George Wimpey at the start of the year

## Wassall/Evode

EVODE shareholders should take some comfort from the company's final defence against Wassall yesterday, despite the absence of a much-rumoured profit forecast and statement of current trading.

This absence is forgivable given that the company is only three months into its financial year and has not seen a change in its trading prospects since comments last month from Andrew Simon, Evode's chairman, which accompanied results for the year to October 3.

Then his talk of decisive actions taken to counter the effects of the recession was illustrated by an unexpected 40 per cent pre-tax profits increase to £10.2 million for the year.

James Capel is now forecasting an increase in the current year to £13 million. There is no point in expecting a dividend increase from last year's unchanged 3.58p until at least 1994, when profits from Evode's UK businesses pick up again.

In its defence, Evode went to great lengths to persuade shareholders to treat Wassall's warnings that the Evo-Stik group is close to breaching its covenants as "alarmist" and to be ignored. So far, the much-rumoured white knight has failed to materialise, though the possibility still cannot be ruled out and is built into the 103p share price. Evode puts forward a valid argument that at 80p a share in cash Wassall is denying shareholders the opportunity to participate in any recovery, and all eyes are now on Wassall to raise its price and come up with the offer of an improved share alternative. Shareholders should be wary of an offer from Wassall below 100p in cash, though profit-taking in the market as a form of insurance at anything close to 105p would be sensible.

## CRH

SOME may ask why CRH has decided to get out its cheque book and go on a £39 million spending spree. Market conditions for UK building materials certainly seem bleak, with a further decline likely before any upturn. But the latest continental acquisitions will strengthen CRH's position in the relatively stable Dutch building materials market.

After moving into do-it-yourself and merchanting in The Netherlands, CRH has reinforced its position with the purchase of Struyk Holdings and Kleiwarenfabriek Wessem, the building materials firms. The purchases will be earnings enhancing and will increase turnover from The Netherlands to about a third of CRH's total. At the same time, strong Irish cash flow will help to restrict the rise in CRH's end-1992 post-acquisition gearing, including convertible capital bonds, to between 45 and 50 per cent, against 40 per cent at the end of 1991.

With UK recovery some way away and the Irish punt unlikely to weaken against the guilder, CRH's purchases do not seem so untimely.

# Redland to raise £100m by disposals in Europe

BY MARTIN WALLER, DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

REDLAND has begun 1993 with a general spring-cleaning of its European building materials interests that involves disposals raising £100 million and another £58 million invested in the businesses.

The first sales are of two businesses bought at the time of the fiercely contested Steetley takeover last year. In accordance with undertakings given at the time, Redland will sell Steetley's roofing clay tile operation to the Belgian Eternit Group for £19 million, £2 million above net asset value.

The Steetley Refractories business will raise £14.3 million, more than £5 million below the book value, although under accounting rules no provision will be required in Redland's profit and loss account. The company has also signed an agreement to supply the purchaser, JE Baker, the American group, with raw material from Redland's Whitwell quarry.

Sir Bryan Carsberg, director-general of fair trading, said the sale to Eternit met the terms of divestment given at the time of the bid, which was intended to weaken the combined group's competitive position in the British building materials market, although Redland must still sell two Steetley brick plants at Cranleigh, Surrey and Tilmanstone, Kent, by September.

Redland is also selling three small non-core businesses, a French civil engineer bought with Steetley, a half-stake in an Oregon carbonates business and two Texan quarries, for a total of £8.4 million.

The other significant disposal, which will bring in £41.25 million, is the sale of Redland's 20 per cent holding in a plasterboard joint venture with the French Lafarge Coppée concern, a decision already taken because of difficult trading conditions in the plasterboard market.

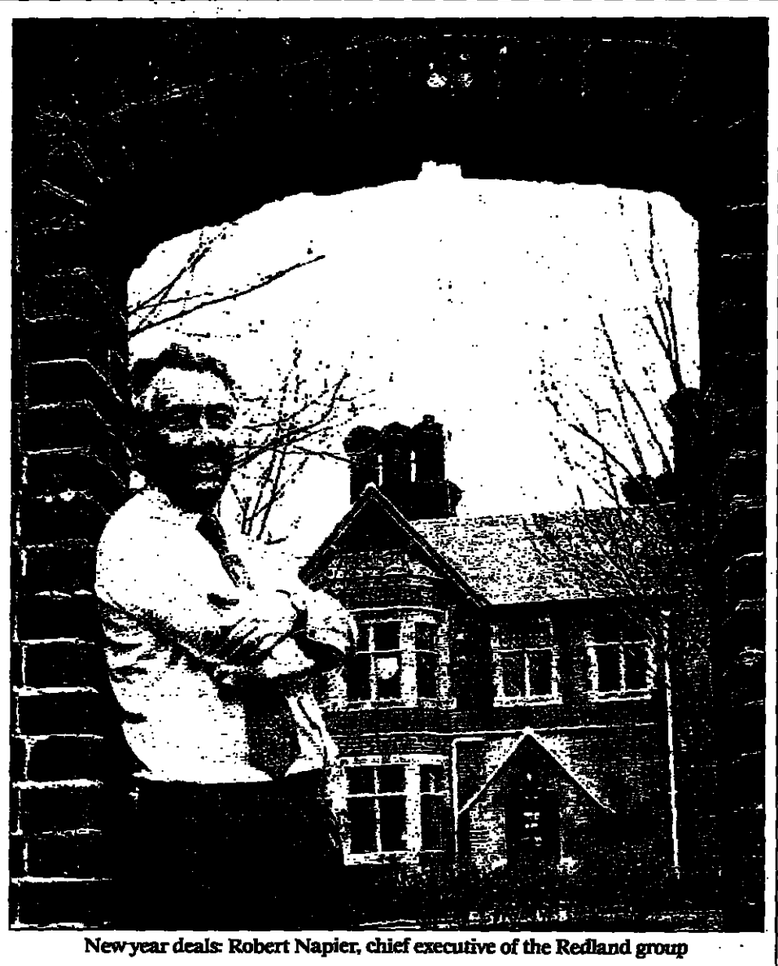
Redland is putting the facing brick factories in Holland, Germany and Belgium run by its Teewen subsidiary into a joint venture with Koramic, a Belgian business, offering cost savings of £5 million a year. The joint venture will raise debt without recourse to either owner and the British company will receive £17.3 million in cash on completion.

The 43 per cent stake in Coverland, a French roof tiles producer, held by Redland will rise to 67 per cent, at a cost of £12 million, and the company has an option to buy out its partner, the glass-maker St Gobain, for £24 million eventually.

Redland is putting in another £36 million to redeem part of Coverland's debts.

Robert Napier, the Redland chief executive, said: "We have acquired control of Coverland at this point in the cycle at close to net asset value and at a low multiple of turnover."

The final deal requires Redland to pay £10.6 million for Dan Tegl, a Danish clay tile business.



New year deals: Robert Napier, chief executive of the Redland group

# Red Star managers look at buyout

BY RODNEY HOBSON

A TEAM of senior managers is hoping to buy Red Star, the parcels service, from British Rail this year. The team is looking at various options for the buyout. Giving all employees the chance to take shares is being considered.

The managers are all part of Red Star's executive and include all three regional managers: Jonathan Smith, Jim Nutt and John Holmes. John McCallion, marketing, Greg Deacon, technology, David Simons, finance, and Roger Harrison, public relations, are also part of the buyout team.

However, David Burton, the director of express parcels, will stay with British Rail if the planned buyout is successful. He was appointed last year to restore Red Star to profitability and to manage the business through to privatisation.

His participation in a buyout would create a conflict of interest as he is currently negotiating a number of contracts between Red Star and BR's passenger businesses.

Potential bidders for Red Star are holding back until the government issues a prospectus, expected this month.

# Bull to try again for Pentagon contract

BY COLIN NARBROUGH
WORLD TRADE CORRESPONDENT

BULL, the French state-owned computer group, intends to re-enter the battle for the $740 million Pentagon order which was declared void last week by an American government agency.

Washington's decision came as trade diplomats on both sides of the Atlantic are trying urgently to narrow the gap between France and America that continues to block progress on a world trade agreement.

Outgoing President Bush and President Mitterrand of France failed in discussions in Paris on Sunday to eliminate any of the obstacles, primarily on agricultural subsidies, still barring a successful outcome to the Uruguay Round of trade talks.

After protests from rival American contenders for the order for 300,000 personal computers for the US air force, the General Services Administration's (GSA) board of appeals in Washington on December 28 threw out the deal with Zenith Data Systems, Bull's American subsidiary. GSA said the bidding process had been flawed and that Zenith had proposed the use of computer monitors which failed to meet American regulations on import content.

But the loss-making Bull is not to be deterred. Dominique Strauss-Kahn, the combative French minister of industry and foreign trade, said yesterday that he was convinced the Zenith offer, which won the Pentagon contract in September, remained the best available. He voiced every hope that Bull would still win at least a "large chunk" of a controversial computer order.

## BUSINESS TODAY

# Gold at seven-year low on Middle East selling

SPECULATIVE selling by Middle East holders, keen to take advantage of the stronger dollar, triggered a heavy fall in the gold price to a seven-year low yesterday, on the first full trading day of 1993. Gold was fixed at $328.25 an ounce in London, about $4 lower than the previous fix, auguring badly for the metal at the start of this year after the weakness that marked 1992. Bullion dealers forecast that, if the $328 level is breached, the price could drop to $320, or even $300.

The price fall comes at a traditional time for falling demand for the physical metal, as the seasonal surge in jewellery sales peters out. The South African Reserve Bank was understood to have sought to defend the gold price at $330. "Arab syndicate selling seems to be looking to break down gold to the $328 level and if $328 goes then $320 is the next target," Ted Arnold, analyst with Merrill Lynch, the broker, said.

# Barclays to sell stake

BARCLAYS has confirmed that it is selling its shares in Barclays Discount Bank, its Israeli offshoot, for an estimated £40 million. It has signed contracts to sell the 50 per cent stake to CP Holdings, owned by Bernard Schreier, a British businessman. However, the Israel Discount Bank, Barclays' joint venture partner, is expected to exercise its pre-emption rights to buy the stake. Barclays Discount Bank has net assets of 280 million shekels (£67 million).

# O&Y hands over tower

OLYMPIA & York Developments handed over one of its prime Canadian properties, Aetna Canada Centre, to Prudential Insurance of America. The 28-storey tower in Toronto is the first Canadian building the developer has lost since it sought bankruptcy protection last May. The deal was sealed in an Ontario bankruptcy court last Thursday. Aetna Canada Centre was considered a cash drain for O&Y and its web of creditors, which are owed billions.

# Volksbank suspension

TRADING in Swiss Volksbank's shares, certificates and warrant bonds has been suspended for today, as it was yesterday, at the bank's request. The Zurich stock exchange said that the bank, Switzerland's fourth biggest, intended to make an announcement tomorrow. In November, Volksbank said its 1992 result would fall below the previous year's because of higher provisions for bad debts. IBCA and Moody's Investors Service have both downgraded its debt.

# Milken moves out of jail

MICHAEL Milken, the former American junk bond king who came to embody Wall Street's excesses during the booming 1980s, has been released to a halfway house, Californian prison authorities said on Monday. He has served 22 months in prison on charges relating to securities fraud offences. Milken, 46, left the minimum-security Federal Prison Work Camp at Pleasanton, California, on Sunday with a requirement that he report to an undisclosed Los Angeles halfway house, said prison administrator Kathy Morse.



Milken: halfway house

# Callhaven seeks £1m

CALLHAVEN, a desktop computer supplier based in the City of London, seeks £1 million of new equity funds for expansion. Shares in Callhaven are traded under Stock Exchange Rule 535 (ii), effectively in matched bargains. The company is offering for subscription up to 4 million of new 5p shares, at 25p each. Callhaven has annual turnover of about £11 million. In the year to March 31, 1992, its profits were £61,000, down from £472,000 previously.

# Donelon Tyson orders

DONELON Tyson, a construction group based in Alderley Edge, Cheshire, has won contracts totalling more than £50 million. Orders worth almost £20 million from the water industry include sewers in Cleethorpes, Humberside, and Bradford, Yorkshire, and a tunnel for Thames Water in Luton, Bedfordshire. Tysons, the building and joinery division, has won £30 million of orders that include work on the Aintree Industrial Estate, Liverpool.

# Neepsend halves payout

NEEPSEND, the machine and hand tool manufacturer, is halving its interim dividend from 0.50p a share to 0.25p after profits before tax fell from £172,000 to £102,000 in the six months to end-September. Earnings fell from 0.66p a share to 0.42p. Trading profits were unchanged at £323,000, on sales marginally ahead from £7.7 million to £7.9 million. It said that although trading conditions remained tough, there were growing indications of slight recovery.

# Changes at Premier

PREMIER Consolidated Oilfields, the independent oil company, has confirmed that Roland Shaw, a founder of the Association of British Independent Exploration Companies, who joined Premier's board in 1971, has stepped down from his executive duties. Mr Shaw, who relinquished his chief executive position to Charles Jamieson last June, will remain as non-executive chairman. Under Mr Shaw's direction, Premier has developed into an international independent.

# Bowater exercises call option

BY OUR CITY STAFF

BOWATER, the printing and packaging group, is paying $55 million in cash to exercise a call option to buy the remaining 44 per cent stake in MiTek, an American-based producer of metal connector plates for use in timber construction.

MiTek, located in St Louis, Missouri, supplies hardware principally in North America, Britain, western Europe and Australia. Bowater acquired a 49 per cent interest in 1987 and a further 7 per cent in 1989.

At present, MiTek's financial results are not consolidated since Bowater exercises control over just 49 per cent of the voting rights. Although Bowater exercised management influence, it did not previously have either management or legal control.

In 1992, MiTek's operating profits were an estimated $14.5 million on sales of $127 million. Net assets are estimated at $45 million.

Bowater expects the acquisition of the outstanding interest in MiTek will enhance earnings in 1993. Bowater shares eased from 485p to 481p.

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# Former oil chief bailed over BCCI

MOHAMMED Abdul Baqi, 66, formerly managing director of Attock Oil, denied conspiring with senior managers of the collapsed BCCI bank to mislead Price Waterhouse, the auditors, into thinking that more than $120 million dollars were owed to the bank.

Mr Baqi pleaded not guilty to a 16-count indictment when he appeared at the Old Bailey.

The documents given to Price Waterhouse purported to show that Attock Oil owed BCCI, between 1986 and 1989, a total of $123 million. The charges allege that Mr Baqi knew they were false. He was remanded on bail.

# EC might abandon free trade in steel

FROM TOM WALKER IN BRUSSELS

THE European Commission starts work this week on possible measures to help protect the EC steel industry, which is suffering its worst crisis in a decade.

The Community's new Danish presidency has announced that an emergency "steel council" will meet in Brussels next month. During the Christmas holiday, Fernand Braun, the EC steel envoy, continued talks with senior industry executives to gauge the depth of the recession companies face.

His recommendations will be submitted to the steel council in February to help EC ministers to decide whether to abandon free trade principles and revert to the protectionist practices that characterised the EC steel industry during its last severe depression, in the early 1980s.

The Commission has been criticised recently for not doing enough to help the EC industry, in the face of protectionist measures from Washington that have virtually sealed off the US market, and of increased imports of low-price steel from central and eastern Europe.

Martin Bangemann, the industry commissioner, recently predicted that up to 1 billion ecus could come the industry's way in the next three or four years, but the figure has subsequently been revised down to nearer 500 million ecus.

"The EC industry must survive on the basis of its most efficient producers," said a British government spokesman in Brussels. "British Steel has gone through a period of radical restructuring and is now one of those producers — we don't want to see its competitors who haven't had the courage to bite the bullet given an advantage through EC funds."

The industry acknowledges that production must be cut, and that up to 50,000 jobs will be lost in the next four years. At the pre-Christmas session of the European Coal and Steel Community in Luxembourg, French industry representatives said the cost of cutting capacity by about 30 million tonnes would be 10 billion to 12 billion ecus: about 3 billion ecus would be needed for "social" costs. The body concluded that voluntary redundancies would not be enough, and is considering job sharing schemes.

Dr Ruprecht Vondran, president of the German Steel Association in Düsseldorf, has called for the commission to impose production quotas on steel makers. Dr Vondran has been outspoken about what he sees as unfair advantages given to state-owned producers, in contrast to private companies such as British Steel and Germany's Klöckner, the present bankruptcy crisis of which he blames on inept regulation from Brussels.

Dr Vondran estimates that, between them, the EC's companies are haemorrhaging about £205 million a month, and that Brussels is allowing about £50 billion in state aids to remain in play.

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# TSB one-day strike over jobs threatens to close branches

BY NEIL BENNETT
BANKING CORRESPONDENT

**Threatened strike action at the TSB this Friday could spread to other banks as staff rebel against the massive job losses that are sweeping the banking industry**

UNION leaders have called a one-day strike at the TSB this Friday in protest against more than 1,000 job losses.

The strike threatens to close many of the bank's 1,400 branches unless TSB and the Banking, Insurance and Finance Union (Bifu) can reach a last-minute agreement at the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (Acas) tomorrow.

Union leaders said they were not confident that there would be a settlement and threatened to follow the strike with a rolling series of stoppages around the country.

The action is an indication of growing militancy among bank employees, who are angry at the tens of thousands of job cuts the industry is suffering. Bifu plans to launch a fresh campaign later this month against job cuts at the Royal Bank of Scotland.

The strike call follows a secret ballot before Christmas in which the bank's staff voted by a majority of more than three to one in favour of selective industrial action.

Bifu has 19,000 members in TSB, almost the entire workforce, so the strike promises to be far more damaging than the one-day stoppage at Lloyds two years ago. More than 7,000 TSB staff voted for the strike in the ballot, and if they all follow the strike call the bank may be forced to close more than half its branches. It might, however, be able to keep its cash machines open.

Bifu called an early strike to try to force TSB to withdraw some of its job-cutting plans. Shortly before Christmas, the bank sent home 500 of its junior managers, many of whom are expected to be made redundant soon.

The job cuts are part of TSB's attempts to merge the management of its banking and insurance businesses. But they follow an earlier reorganisation in which more than 5,000 staff have lost their jobs in the past three years. John Townsend, an assistant secretary at Bifu, argued that the speed of the latest round of cutbacks will make compulsory redundancies unavoidable.

"TSB has lost a fifth of its staff over the last three years and the organisation has been pared to the bone," he said. "These further changes will reduce the service available to customers. It is financial suicide.

"We are looking for a guarantee of no compulsory redundancies and the reinstatement of the managers who have been sent home. I am always hopeful but I am not confident of a settlement before Friday."

A spokeswoman for TSB said the bank had contingency plans to minimise the disruption to customers if there was a strike. She said that the bank would try to reach a settlement on Wednesday but that Bifu had been kept informed of the bank's plans at all stages.

"It is unfortunate that job losses have to occur," she said, "but they are necessary if TSB is to continue being a successful financial organisation. This is a business decision in response to market conditions."



Market rally: kimono-wearing employees of the Tokyo stock exchange ceremonially clapping hands at the new year opening yesterday. The Nikkei average gained 69.13 points to close at 16,994.08 in the morning-only trading session Market reports, page 24

# P&O ends ferries on Dover-Boulogne run

BY OUR WORLD TRADE CORRESPONDENT

P&O European Ferries, Britain's largest cross-channnel operator, has marked the advent of the single European market and serious cross-border shopping by announcing that it has shut its ferry service between Dover and the French port of Boulogne.

The company made clear that the closure forms part of its £400 million strategic plan to meet the challenge posed by the Channel tunnel, due to open in December.

However, P&O's claims about its dominant position on the key short-sea crossing between Dover and Calais brought a prompt shot across the bows from its main rival, the Swedish-owned Stena Sealink.

P&O said it would concentrate on the Calais-Dover route, which had seen 18 per cent growth in passenger numbers to 7.4 million last year. The longer Boulogne route stagnated at about a million passengers. In April, P&O plans to put a fifth ferry into service between Dover and Calais increasing capacity to 90,000 passengers per day.

The company's share price rose 14p after the announcement.

Sealink attacked as "wild and inaccurate" the claim P&O made that its carries three times as much traffic as its nearest rival on the Dover-Calais route. Gareth Cooper, the Sealink managing director, said Sealink has about 40 per cent of the passenger traffic and consistently carried more than 50 per cent of the freight.

Mr Cooper said that, most important, Sealink's capacity utilisation on the Dover-Calais route had improved, while P&O's had declined. "Our advantage will widen still further when P&O introduces even more capacity this spring," he said.

A spokesman for Sally Line, which operates cross-channel services out of Ramsgate, said the battle between P&O and Sealink was something of a side issue for his company. Instead of pursuing the "quick-as-possible" crossing philosophy, Sally had opted to make sailing across the Channel a leisure experience.

# CRH builds up Dutch operations

BY PHILIP PANGALOS

CRH, the international building materials group, is expanding further in The Netherlands with two acquisitions for a total of 188 million guilders (£39 million).

CRH, which is based in Dublin, has reinforced its position on the Continent by buying Struyk Holdings, a producer of concrete pavings that operates from 12 locations, and Kleiwarenfabriek Wessem, which makes high quality bricks and kerbs. The combined trading profits of the two companies amounted to £6.8 million in 1991, on sales of about £50 million.

After moving into do-it-yourself and merchanting in The Netherlands, CRH has now reinforced its position. The company says that the latest acquisitions establish it as market leader in the Dutch concrete paving sector with a national coverage and a full and balanced product range.

"The UK is very depressed and we have not seen much relaxaton of this at all. A further volume reduction is likely this year," Harry Sheridan, CRH's finance director, said.

However, he said that the Dutch market has only seen "a very marginal decline" in the last couple of years. "Holland tends to be more stable. You do not have the violent fluctuations seen in the UK or US. It's a very stable environment. We have endeavoured to consolidate and improve our position in Holland ... we will be the leading players in these business areas," he added.

Brian Hill, CRH's director for continental Europe, said: "The addition of Wessem to our clay brick group consolidates our leadership of the quality brick sector while the acquisition of Struyk significantly strengthens CRH's presence in concrete products on the European mainland."

CRH has been involved in The Netherlands since 1973. The acquisitions are expected to bolster Dutch sales to about Irf400 million, accounting for about one third of the group's total sales.

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# South West acquires waste firm

BY SUSAN GILCHRIST

SOUTH West Water announced its biggest acquisition since privatisation with the buyout of Haul-Waste, a subsidiary of English China Clays, for £27.5 million.

Haul-Waste made pre-tax profits of just over £1 million on turnover of £15 million last year. Four fifths of sales came from low-margin collection business, the remainder from more profitable landfill.

Colin Drummond, South West Water business development director, will be chief executive of the company. He said the acquisition fitted perfectly into South West's strategy. "We have been intending to expand into solid waste to complement our existing strengths in liquid waste management."

The acquisition will be completed in February, though contracts were exchanged on December 31. Cash of £25 million is payable on completion, with the rest due before the end of 1995.

Of the ten water companies, only Anglian and North West have not diversified into waste management since privatisation. The biggest acquisition was Severn Trent's purchase of Biffa from BET for £212 million in 1990.

South West Water's share price fell 2p to 487p.

# Corporation to discuss terrorism cover

BY SARAH HAGNALL

THE Corporation of London, which owns between a quarter and a third of the value of property in the City, is meeting with one of its insurance companies today to discuss the cost of terrorism cover.

The Corporation's property portfolio, valued at more than £5 billion, is covered having come up for renewal last year. The provision came after weeks of concern among businesses that they would be left without terrorism cover from the new year.

After lengthy behind-the-scenes negotiations between the insurance industry and government, a compromise was reached whereby the government said it would act as insurer of last resort and the insurance companies agreed to provide limited terrorism cover as part of general commercial insurance policies. Any cover over and above that limit, of up to £500,000, being provided by the companies as an add-on service. The premiums for this "extra" service being channelled into a mutual pool, which is to be managed by a new insurance company.

Bernard Harty, the Corporation's treasurer, said that that today's meeting was necessary because there was still a degree of confusion over how the scheme would work as well as over the premium payable.

The insurance industry is still involved in thrashing out the final details of its plan. Mike Jones, chief executive of the Association of British Insurers, said that the appropriate level of "add-on" premiums, which vary according to factors such as the property's location, was undecided.

However, businesses seeking cover now will be faced with premiums, which in some cases could be as high as 100 per cent of the premium on their general policies, and which calculated now have little hope of being ammended if the resulting appropriate level is found to be lower.

The mechanics of the mutual fund, such as how the premiums are to be collected by the companies and passed to the fund, need sorting out as do the precise terms of reinsurance contracts and the government's involvement.

Mr Harty voiced concern over the running of the fund saying that he would like to see representatives from outside the industry on the board of directors, the composition of which is currently undecided.




# Heron takes over at Post Office

First-class post: Michael Heron, left, the son of a postman, took over as chairman of the Post Office yesterday. His first day included a trip to Mount Pleasant sorting office, in central London, where his father had worked in the 1930s. Mr Heron, who joined from Unilever, where he became regional director for Europe in 1987 and personnel director in 1989, said: "This is a time of review and potential major change for the Post Office, and that is exciting and challenging." Mr Heron succeeds Sir Bryan Nicholson.

# Japan casts doubt on early Gatt deal

BY COLIN NARBROUGH, WORLD TRADE CORRESPONDENT

AS WORLD trade negotiators reassembled in Geneva after the Christmas break, Kiichi Miyazawa, the prime minister of Japan, yesterday cast fresh doubt on the chances of an early accord.

Tokyo's suspicions about the lack of political readiness for a trade deal in Washington and Brussels, and continued concern about the fierce domestic resistance in Japan to ending the ban on rice imports, only appear to reinforce the picture of continued stalemate over the Uruguay round of talks.

Despite the breakthrough America and the European Community achieved on agricultural subsidies in November, hopes that the six-year-old round would be successfully concluded within weeks are fading. The EC and America indicated before Christmas that they were aiming for a deal by mid-January. As Europe's leading agricultural exporter, France has rejected as wholly unacceptable the Washington-Brussels deal on farm supports. It has yet to give any sign of its readiness to make the compromises necessary for a wider deal that would liberalise trade in services as well as tangible goods.

President Bush failed at his weekend meeting in Paris to extract any softening of the French position from President Mitterrand. France faces legislative elections in March, when the American Congress's "fast-track" authorisation for a Uruguay round deal expires.

President-elect Bill Clinton's surprise appointment of Mickey Kantor, a long-standing political adviser, but a trade policy novice, provided little guidance as to the direction the incoming American administration will take. Mr Clinton has insisted that any regional or world trade agreements must ensure fair play for American firms. He is expected to discuss possible additions to the North American Free Trade Agreement when he meets Carlos Salinas, the Mexican president, in Texas on Friday.

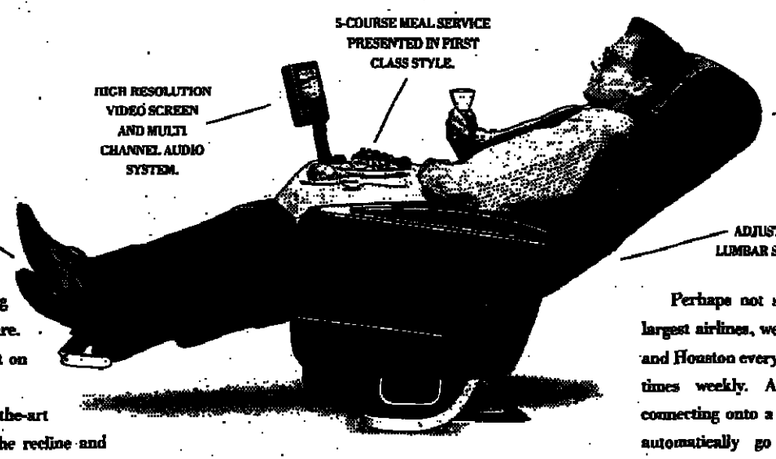
Mr Miyazawa said the change of power in America and further market integration in the EC were likely to delay a new world trade pact under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt), the trade body in charge of the Uruguay round talks.

The Japanese leader made clear that Japan would not yield on its ban on imported rice. The final draft text of the world trade agreement calls for all non-tariff barriers to be converted into tariffs.

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STOCK MARKET

# Prices surge as year starts on high note

THE stock market began 1993 on a high note, with share price surging to their best levels.

The FT-SE 100 index recovered its poise after an early mark-down with a turnround of almost 38 points to finish 15.0 higher at a new peak of 2,861.5. At its best, the index was up more than 21 points, helped by an early rise on Wall Street in trading after the return from the holiday.

But most of the improvement in London appears to have been futures led again. The March series touched 2,888, at one stage, with Baring Brothers and Salomon Brothers thought to be buyers. Dealers in London claim that American investors have been supporting the future because they believe it looks cheap on a risk-reward basis.

As a result, turnover in the cash market remained thin, with investors taking advantage of the rally to cash in profits. By the close, a total of 606 million shares had changed hands.

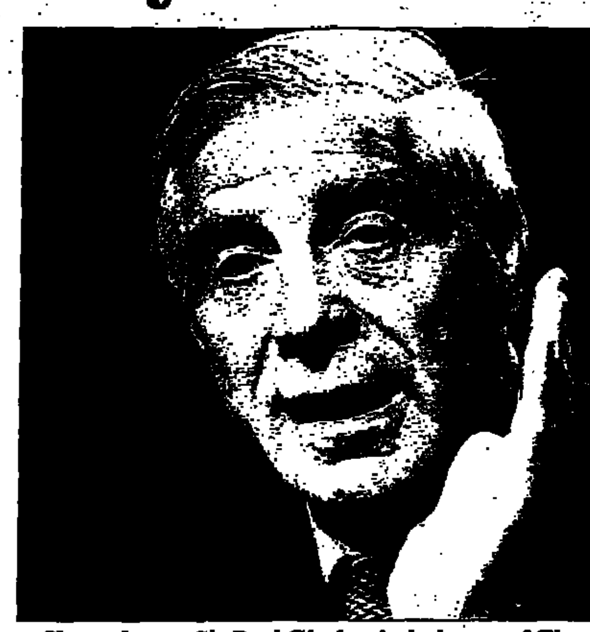
Among leaders, **Reuters** jumped 22p to a new high of £14.40 on claims that Merrill Lynch, the New York-based securities house, had increased its profits forecast. But **BOC Group** slipped 5p, to 761p, after Crédit Lyonnais Laing and Goldman Sachs became cautious of the shares.

There was support for those firms regarded as takeover situations, with **Blue Circle Industries** adding 12p to 211p, **British Aerospace** 10p to 175p, **Tarmac** 3p to 106p, and **Pilkington** 3p to 104p.

There were about 130 new year share recommendations made by various pundits. The gains included **Henderson Administration**, 30p to 865p, **Bemrose** 19p to 276p, **Merrydown** 13p to 268p, and **Domino Printing** 23p to 483p.

The six companies making up the Tempus selection for 1993 made an encouraging start to the new year.

**Hillsdown Holdings**, the food to furniture group, jumped 10p to 143p on recovery hopes. There were also gains for **Forte**, 7p to 195p, **ICI**, 16p to £10.75, and **Trafalgar House** 1p to 80p. **Storehouse**, the BhS and Mothercare stores group, ended at 196p after going ex-dividend. The group said trading during the Christmas period was in line with expectations. The only one not to make headway among the six was **Hambro Countrywide**, the estate agency, down 2p to 38p. **Glaxo**, headed Sir Paul Girolami, firmed 4p, to 797p, after receiving the go-ahead from the US Food and Drug Adminstration to market Zofran, its anti-nausea treatment, in oral form. **Redland**, the building products group, climbed 16p to 523p after announcing it was raising about £100 million through various disposals, including Steetley Clay Tiles and Refractories. It intends to use £48 million to increase its stake in Coverland, its French associate, from 43 to 67 per cent.



Shares boost: Sir Paul Girolami, chairman of Glaxo

**George Wimpey** eased 2p to 112p, after briefly touching 109p. **Hammerson**, the property developer, saw its ordinary shares jump 9p to 302p and the A, 8p to 279p, having denied reports claiming Sydney Mason was stepping down as chairman. It said Mr Mason would be staying on until a new chief executive had been found. But Hammerson did confirm that John Parry would be stepping down as managing director next year.

Hammerson shares have been driven steadily higher in recently by speculative buying amid suggestions that the group is vulnerable to a bid.

**Evode**, the Evostik adhesive group, finished all-square at 102p after deciding not make any forecast of profits or dividends in its final defence document relating to the £94 million bid from **Wassall**, the industrial conglomerate. The speculators are hoping that Wassall, unchanged at 217p, will improve the terms valuing Evode at 80p.

Shares of **TSW**, the West Country independent television broadcaster, which lost its franchise in the new year shake-up, were suspended at 29p pending an announcement. **Premier Consolidated Oilfields** firmed ¼p to 23¾p. Roland Shaw, the chairman, said he would take a back seat in the running of the company. He will relinquish his executive responsibilities, but will remain non-executive chairman.

The supermarket chains seem to have met with varying degrees of success over the holiday period. Analysts said sales at **Argyll** had been better than expected although the shares were unmoved at 393p. But **Asda**, which is thought to have recorded little improvement on last year, attracted revived support to finish 3½p better at 59½p. **J. Sainsbury** expanded 10p to 574p, while **Tesco** advanced 7p to 256p.

MICHAEL CLARK

BRITISH FUNDS

GOVERNMENT securities spent a volatile session with prices clawing back some early losses. The bears gained the upper hand initially as sellers moved in to take profits after the firm run-up to Christmas. Prices at the longer end were down by up to £½ by mid-morning. They rallied on firmer European bond markets and the news that the Bundesbank was supporting the franc.

This was reflected on the futures market where the March series of the long gilt touched a low of £100²³/₃₂ before rallying to end down £¼ on the session at £101³/₁₆. By the close, 13,500 contracts had been completed. In the cash market, prices at the shorter end were often unchanged as in the case of Exchequer 9¾ per cent 1998 at £109⁹/₁₆. In longs, Treasury 9 per cent 2012 fell 10 ticks to £102⁷/₁₆.

| 1992 High | Low | Stock | Price £ | +/- | Int yld % | Gross red yld |
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| | | **SHORTS (under 5 years)** | | | | |
| 100 | 95 | Fund 6% 1993 | 99 | - | 6.02 | 6.55 |
| 100 | 97 | Treas 8½% 1993 | 100 | - | 8.24 | 6.71 |
| 101 | 99 | Treas 10% 1993 | 100 | - | 9.91 | 6.65 |
| 104 | 100 | Treas 12½% 1993 | 103 | - | 12.12 | 6.54 |
| 107 | 103 | Treas 13¾% 1993 | 106 | - | 12.96 | 6.47 |
| 102 | 96 | Treas 8½% 1994 | 102 | ... | 8.33 | 6.50 |
| 104 | 96 | Treas 9% 1994 | 103 | - | 8.67 | 6.75 |
| 105 | 98 | Treas 10% 1994 | 104 | - | 9.57 | 6.62 |
| 110 | 102 | Exch 12½% 1994 | 108 | - | 11.51 | 6.76 |
| 110 | 103 | Exch 13½% 1994 | 108 | - | 12.45 | 6.60 |
| 110 | 104 | Treas 14½% 1994 | 108 | - | 13.36 | 6.62 |
| 95 | 88 | Gas 3% 1990-95 | 94 | ... | 3.19 | 5.80 |
| 109 | 99 | Exch 10¼% 1995 | 107 | - | 9.52 | 6.90 |
| 111 | 102 | Treas 12% 1995 | 109 † | - | 10.95 | 6.92 |
| 116 | 106 | Treas 12¾% 1995 | 114 | - | 11.12 | 6.98 |
| 104 | 96 | Treas 9% 1992-96 | 100 † | - | 8.99 | 7.07 |
| 110 | 98 | Conv 10% 1996 | 109 | - | 9.17 | 7.25 |
| 119 | 108 | Exch 13¼% 1996 | 117 | - | 11.32 | 7.43 |
| 119 | 109 | Treas 14% 1996 | 117 | - | 11.88 | 7.36 |
| 125 | 113 | Treas 15¼% 1996 | 122 | - | 12.40 | 7.33 |
| 112 | 100 | Exch 10½% 1997 | 110 | - | 9.48 | 7.38 |
| 121 | 109 | Treas 13¼% 1997 | 119 † | - | 11.08 | 7.52 |
| | | **MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)** | | | | |
| 107 | 94 | Treas 8¾% 1997 | 105 | - | 8.29 | 7.30 |
| 131 | 117 | Exch 15% 1997 | 129 | - | 11.61 | 7.60 |
| 99 | 86 | Treas 6¾% 1995-98 | 97 | - | 6.91 | 7.26 |
| 111 | 97 | Exch 9¾% 1998 | 109 | - | 8.90 | 7.43 |
| 121 | 107 | Exch 12% 1998 | 119 | - | 10.07 | 7.85 |
| 137 | 123 | Treas 15½% 1998 | 134 | - | 11.49 | 7.82 |
| 111 | 97 | Treas 9½% 1999 | 109 | - | 8.71 | 7.58 |
| 115 | 100 | Conv 10¼% 1999 | 113 | - | 9.06 | 7.73 |
| 116 | 101 | Treas 10½% 1999 | 113 | - | 9.22 | 7.70 |
| 123 | 109 | Exch 12¼% 1999 | 120 | - | 10.14 | 7.94 |
| 109 | 94 | Conv 9% 2000 | 106 | - | 8.42 | 7.73 |
| 128 | 114 | Treas 13% 2000 | 126 | - | 10.28 | 8.21 |
| 113 | 99 | Treas 10% 2001 | 110 | - | 9.01 | 8.12 |
| 128 | 115 | Treas 14% 1998-01 | 126 | - | 11.09 | 7.92 |
| 111 | 98 | Treas 9¾% 2002 | 109 | - | 8.91 | 8.29 |
| 113 | 100 | Treas 10% 2003 | 111 | - | 9.00 | 8.39 |
| 69 | 59 | Fund 3½% 1999-04 | 69 | - | 5.07 | 7.57 |
| 109 | 96 | Conv 9½% 2004 | 107 | - | 8.83 | 8.45 |
| 120 | 107 | Treas 11½% 2001-04 | 117 | - | 9.75 | 8.42 |
| 109 | 96 | Conv 9½% 2005 | 107 | - | 8.83 | 8.48 |
| 128 | 116 | Treas 12½% 2003-05 | 126 | - | 9.90 | 8.68 |
| | | **LONGS (over 15 years)** | | | | |
| 97 | 85 | Treas 8% 2002-06 | 96 | - | 8.29 | 8.47 |
| 100 | 89 | Treas 8½% 2007 | 99 | - | 8.55 | 8.56 |
| 122 | 110 | Treas 11¾% 2003-07 | 120 † | - | 9.75 | 8.64 |
| 104 | 93 | Treas 9% 2008 | 103 | - | 8.71 | 8.60 |
| 135 | 123 | Treas 13½% 2004-08 | 133 | - | 10.10 | 8.70 |
| 95 | 85 | Treas 8% 2009 | 94 | - | 8.49 | 8.65 |
| 103 | 93 | Conv 9% 2011 | 102 | - | 8.79 | 8.60 |
| 72 | 62 | Treas 5½% 2008-12 | 71 | - | 7.69 | 8.49 |
| 92 | 81 | Treas 7¾% 2012-15 | 91 † | - | 8.49 | 8.64 |
| 130 | 118 | Exch 12% 2013-17 | 128 † | - | 9.36 | 8.96 |
| | | **UNDATED** | | | | |
| 29 | 24 | Consols 2½% | 29 † | - | 8.53 | ... |
| 29 | 24 | Treas 2½% | 28 | + | 8.82 | ... |
| 35 | 29 | Treas 3% | 34 | - | 8.70 | ... |
| 63 | 59 | Conv 3½% | 62 | ... | 5.64 | ... |
| 45 | 39 | Consols 4% | 44 † | - | 8.91 | ... |
| 40 | 35 | War Ln 3½% | 39 | - | 8.86 | ... |
| | | **INDEX-LINKED** | | | | |
| 132 | 122 | Treas IL 2% 1994 | 132 | - | 0.08 | 1.91 |
| 197 | 176 | Treas IL 2% 1996 | 195 | - | 1.97 | 2.67 |
| 162 | 139 | Treas IL 2½% 2001 | 159 | - | 3.25 | 3.59 |
| 158 | 135 | Treas IL 2½% 2003 | 155 | - | 3.37 | 3.65 |
| 162 | 137 | Treas IL 2% 2006 | 160 | + | 3.50 | 3.72 |
| 147 | 124 | Treas IL 2½% 2009 | 144 | + | 3.64 | 3.84 |
| 152 | 129 | Treas IL 2½% 2011 | 149 | + | 3.67 | 3.85 |
| 126 | 106 | Treas IL 2½% 2013 | 123 | ... | 3.69 | 3.85 |
| 133 | 112 | Treas IL 2½% 2016 | 131 † | ... | 3.72 | 3.88 |
| 128 | 107 | Treas IL 2½% 2020 | 125 | + | 3.76 | 3.90 |
| 106 | 88 | Treas IL 2½% 2024 | 103 | - | 3.79 | 3.91 |

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| Southnews | 110p (+12p) |
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| Campari | 259p (+15p) |
| Boosey Hawkes | 950p (+20p) |
| Standard Chart | 588p (+12p) |
| Bass | 645p (+10p) |
| Greenalls Group | 419p (+10p) |
| Blue Circle | 211p (+12p) |
| Security Serv | 534p (+12p) |
| Securicor | 945p (+12p) |
| TI | 328p (+12p) |
| Takeda Chem | 676p (+46p) |
| Commercial Union | 632p (+11p) |
| General Accident | 591p (+13p) |

FALL:

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| Euro Disney | 755p (-28p) |

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| Critchley Group (220) | 245 | +2 |
| Foreign & Col PEP Inv Tst 103 | | ... |
| Hoare Gvt Smlr Co Index 101 | | ... |
| Hunters Armley (90) | 106 | +5 |
| Intl Food Machinery (51) | 62 | +10 |
| Jos Holdings Capital | 40 | +2 |
| Jos Holdings Income | 94 | +2 |
| Jos Zero Div Pf | 110 | ... |
| National Express (165) | 184 | +3 |
| OIS Intl Inspection (50) | 53 | ... |
| Prime People Warrants | 1½ | ... |
| Second Consolidated Tst | 96 | -1 |
| Tadpole Technology (65) | 179 | +13 |
| Tepnel Diagnostics (120) | 192 | ... |
| Wetherspoon (J.D) (160) | 228 | +3 |
| **RIGHTS ISSUES** | | |
| Hillclare n/p (35) | 3 | ... |
| Learmonth & Burchett n/p | 28 | ... |
| Lonrho n/p (85) | ¼ | ... |
| Melville n/p (5) | ¾ | -¾ |
| Property Trust p/p (25) | 15 | ... |
| Regal Hotel n/p (2) | 1¼ | +1 |

WALL STREET

New York — Blue chips erased most gains by mid-morning as buying interest cooled after an early burst of activity. The Dow Jones industrial average was up 2.97 points, at 3,304.08, after reaching 3,318.67.

☐ Tokyo — The Nikkei average ended, up 69.13 points, at 16,994.08, with an estimated 80 million shares traded.

☐ Hong Kong — The Hang Seng index slipped 74.59 points to close at 5,437.80.

☐ Frankfurt — The Dax index closed at 1,531.33, down 13.72 points. (Reuter)

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| AMR Corp | 66 | 67 |
| Abbott Labs | 30 | 30 |
| Aetna Life | 46 | 46 |
| Ahmanson (HF) | 18 | 19 |
| Air Prod & Chem | 46 | 46 |
| Albertsons | 49 | 50 |
| Alcan Alumnm | 17 | 17 |
| Alco Standard | 36 | 36 |
| Allied Signal | 60 | 60 |
| Alum Co of Am | 71 | 71 |
| Amax | 16 | 16 |
| Amerada Hess | 46 | 46 |
| Amer Brands | 39 | 40 |
| Amer Cyanamid | 58 | 57 |
| Amer El Power | 32 | 33 |
| Amer Express | 24 | 24 |
| Amer Genl Corp | 56 | 57 |
| Amer Home Pr | 67 | 67 |
| Amer Intl | 115 | 116 |
| Amer Stores | 44 | 43 |
| Amer T & T | 50 | 51 |
| Ameritech | 70 | 71 |
| Amoco | 49 | 48 |
| Anheuser-Busch | 58 | 58 |
| Apple Computer | 58 | 59 |
| Archer Daniels | 26 | 26 |
| Arkla | 8 | 8 |
| Armco | 6 | 6 |
| Armstrong Wrld | 31 | 31 |
| Asarco | 25 | 25 |
| Ashland Oil | 26 | 26 |
| Atl Richfield | 115 | 114 |
| Auto Data Pro | 52 | 53 |
| Avery Dennison | 28 | 28 |
| Avon Products | 55 | 55 |
| Baker Hughes | 19 | 19 |
| Baltim Gas & El | 23 | 23 |
| Banc One | 53 | 53 |
| Bankamerica | 46 | 46 |
| Bank of NY | 53 | 53 |
| Bankers Tr NY | 69 | 68 |
| Barnett Banks | 41 | 41 |
| Bausch & Lomb | 53 | 54 |
| Baxter Intl | 32 | 32 |
| Becton Dickinsn | 78 | 78 |
| Bell Atlantic | 51 | 51 |
| BellSouth | 51 | 50 |
| Black & Decker | 18 | 18 |
| Block (H&R) | 38 | 39 |
| Boeing | 39 | 40 |
| Boise Cascade | 21 | 21 |
| Borden Inc | 28 | 28 |
| Bristol Myrs Sq | 66 | 67 |
| Browning Ferris | 26 | 26 |
| Burlington Nthn | 42 | 43 |
| CBS | 188 | 188 |
| CNA Financial | 97 | 98 |
| CPC Intl | 50 | 50 |
| CSX | 68 | 68 |
| Campbell Soup | 42 | 42 |
| Can Pacific | 12 | 12 |
| Cpt Cities ABC | 507 | 507 |
| Cpd Holdings | 71 | 72 |
| Carolina Pwr | 55 | 55 |
| Caterpillar | 54 | 53 |
| Central & SW | 29 | 29 |
| Champion Intl | 29 | 28 |
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| Cigna Corp | 58 | 58 |
| Citicorp | 21 | 22 |
| Clorox | 46 | 46 |
| Coastal Corp | 24 | 23 |
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| Colgate-Palmolive | 55 | 55 |
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| Conagra | 33 | 33 |
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| Cons Rail | 47 | 47 |
| Cooper Inds | 47 | 47 |
| Corning Inc | 37 | 37 |
| Crown Cork | 40 | 39 |
| Dana Corp | 47 | 47 |
| Dayton Hudson | 75 | 75 |
| Deere | 43 | 43 |
| Delta Air Lines | 51 | 50 |
| Deluxe Corp | 46 | 46 |
| Detroit Edison | 32 | 32 |
| Digital Equip | 33 | 33 |
| Dillard Dept St | 49 | 49 |
| Disney (Walt) | 42 | 43 |
| Dominion Res | 39 | 39 |
| Donnelley (RR) | 32 | 32 |
| Dover Corp | 46 | 45 |
| Dow Chemicals | 57 | 57 |
| Dow Jones | 27 | 27 |
| Dresser | 18 | 18 |
| Duke Power | 35 | 36 |
| Dun & Bradstreet | 58 | 57 |
| Du Pont | 47 | 47 |
| Eastman Kodak | 41 | 40 |
| Eaton Corp | 80 | 81 |
| Emerson Elec | 54 | 55 |
| Engelhard Corp | 34 | 34 |
| Enron Corp | 46 | 46 |
| Ensergy Corp | 32 | 33 |
| Ethyl Corp | 28 | 28 |
| Exxon | 61 | 61 |
| FMC Corp | 49 | 49 |
| FPL Group | 36 | 36 |
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| First Chicago | 37 | 36 |
| First Interstate | 40 | 40 |
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## YOUR OWN BUSINESS

# Model way to run a museum

BY DAVID ASKHAM

ROD Moore, an avionics engineer, decided to leave the rat race when he was 38. But, because he was head-hunted, it took another year before he used his love of model railways and other toys in his own business — the Cumberland Toy and Model Museum.

He had established an international reputation for model railway exhibitions, and his search for a permanent base led him to Cockermouth, Cumbria, which was already on the tourist trail because of its Wordsworth associations.

Mr Moore found a low-cost rental unit of about 800 sq ft, in an old felt factory dating back to the 18th century, that offered room for expansion. He did all the internal development work himself.

He was also offering a model train building service for collectors unable or unwilling to build models themselves. This service, now largely phased out, helped his cash flow during the build-up period for the model museum.

Mr Moore, who runs the museum with his wife, Joan, said: "I wanted people to enjoy the toys I had accumulated over the previous 30 years or so. The business was simply an extension of a hobby."

DAVID ASKHAM



In the driving seat: Rod Moore sees the museum as an extension of his hobby

The museum is now five times its original size. From the start, it produced an operating profit that was largely reinvested in the business.

A Victorian toy shop is one of the latest developments, allowing visitors to peer through paned windows at period toys inside. There are also exhibits from around the world, including early German mechanical toys.

Mr Moore said: "Having a chronological sequence of toys from the 1920s means virtually every visitor can say: 'I had one of those'."

Visitors to the museum have quadrupled over three years to about 20,000 last year. The numbers have been boosted by subsidised publicity by the West Cumbria Development Agency. Most are tourists, but Mr Moore believes more growth is likely to come from school visits, as the new national curriculum takes effect.

# Age offers key to firms' survival

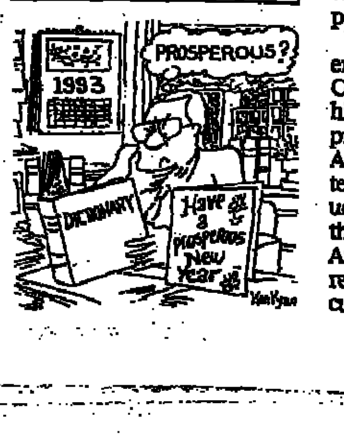
BY DEREK HARRIS

COMPANY age and size are the key factors that dictate how smaller businesses are likely to stand up to recessional pressures, according to research by Middlesex University's planning research centre.

Small and medium-sized firms generally need ten years to become established, the centre found. Its research is part of a programme mounted by the Economic and Social Research Council to investigate small businesses.

Data has been collected over 12 years. The centre found that 58 per cent of its original 1979 panel of firms still existed in 1989. The chance of survival increased with age: 62 per cent of those established before 1970 were still going strong while just over half of the post-1970 generation had collapsed. With those employing fewer than ten people, more than half collapsed. For those with 20 employees or more, the failure rate dropped to 33 per cent.

Firms going for growth stood a better chance of survival than those just hanging on and trying to keep their heads above water. Nearly three quarters of growth-hungry firms in the 1970s lived to see the next decade.





Those led by marketing rather than production were more successful. The highest survival rates were in printing (88 per cent), pharmaceuticals (82 per cent) and electronics (79 per cent). The poorest survival rates were in clothing (24 per cent) and toys (35 per cent).

Other survival factors emerged from the research. One was the ability to develop higher-quality, higher-priced products for niche markets. Another was the improving of technical specification of products as well as differentiating them from the competition. Another success route was a reduced dependence on a few customers.

Value-added tax accounting procedures have to be modified with the single market. One aid could be *A Guide to UK VAT and Customs Procedures for the Single Market* by N. Mohr and I. Wardleworth. It notes how customs clearance systems will change and gives a glossary of terms and useful addresses. Copies costing £20 are available from Mohr & Associates, 15 Cyprus Road, London N3 3SD. Telephone: 081-349 4434.

☐ An environmental self-assessment pack to help businesses carry out "green audits" has been brought out by Stockport and High Peak Training and Enterprise Council. The pack, £25 plus VAT, is available from the TEC at 1 St Peter's Square, Stockport, Cheshire, SK1 1NN. Telephone: 061-832 9111.

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# Buoyant market will need spice

Sparkling share prices to start 1993 encapsulate the fundamental change of mood in financial markets triggered by devaluation and the step fall in interest rates. The real economy will take a long time to catch up. The critical question for the share markets is, therefore, whether there will be enough excitement in the City to maintain that mood or whether share prices will suffer a hiatus, while business catches up.

The run on sterling brought one undesired bonus: it funded most of the 1992-3 public sector borrowing requirement. This year, the government will call for investors' cash in serious quantities. Adding in the final sale of BT stock and the series of rights issues, which are likely to emerge as companies' prospects justify replenishing their coffers, institutions would not need to bother about buying existing equities if they were so disposed. Fortunately, such arithmetic does not drive share prices as directly as might be supposed. Mood and the state of market-makers' books can count for almost as much, short-term. The traditional sources of fuel to keep the flames of City optimism burning would be an upsurge in attractive new equity flotations and a run of takeover bids.

Last year was more memorable for cancelled flotations, such as GPA and 3i, than for the successful launches. Bids were so few and far between that the most intriguing, that of Tomkins for RHM, was greeted more with sceptical relief than enthusiasm. This year, it could all be different. As the downrush of recession comes to an end, companies that have survived it well will be able to promote themselves with some confidence. New entrants can legitimately say they are seeking new money in flotations to expand rather than keep their balance sheets afloat. Higher stock market ratings will make that new money cheaper. The same rules and benefits will apply to management buyouts.

A flow of bids remains more problematical. The strong will undoubtedly have the currency to bid provided they do not need to rely on bank finance. The likely targets, many deep in a cyclical trough, make take longer to mature. The canny may take that risk to take advantage of lax acquisition accounting rules while they last.

# Timely resignation

The downfall of Jürgen Möllemann, the German economics minister, owes less to the scandal that led to his resignation than to his lack of judgment, displayed in the most spectacular of manners. Even this might have mattered little, had this minister not been entrusted with the most difficult task in German politics for many decades, the economic management of unification. The affair itself was petty, concerning letters in which the minister recommended a product made by a company owned by the cousin of his wife. More and more of these letters turned up all over the country. When even a spiritual healer received a ministerial endorsement for his services, the affair took on a certain entertainment value.

The upside is that Herr Möllemann is likely to be replaced with someone less daring and more caring, less abrasive and more conciliatory. The result is an increased likelihood, no more at this stage, that the much needed U-turn in German economic policy will happen sooner rather than later. The timing is critical in view of the long-awaited solidarity pact between government and industry. Investors, meanwhile, should not despair. Since a change in German economic policy has been widely regarded as overdue, the emergence of a safer pair of hands will have its benefits. Yesterday's early assault on the mark in response to the news may be understandable, but was certainly premature.

EUROPE IN VIEW

# Ebbing power of the Bundesbank hawks could yet save the ERM

**Monetary strains are mounting again, but changes at Germany's central bank might avert an explosion, says Wolfgang Münchau**



The world can't wait: a besieged Bundesbank emissary bears tidings of last summer's discount rate increase

The man from the Bundesbank was late. When he finally emerged through the glass doors, with a stack of papers tucked under his arm, the waiting journalists knew that something important was about to happen. They jostled forward, grabbed the papers and within seconds the whole world knew.

The date was December 10, the last time the Bundesbank's central council came together in 1992 for its fortnightly policy meeting. Radio and television stations interrupted their programmes for the important announcement from Frankfurt: the Bundesbank has decided to do nothing; or at least, nothing of importance. Interest rates, so much was certain, would not go down. The decision was taken after long deliberations and, as critics were quick to point out, with the customary disregard for one's "European friends".

The news that nothing happened sent Europe's foreign exchange markets into a temporary frenzy; within minutes, some other countries announced that they, too, had exercised their sovereign right to do nothing; there may even be people who can remember where they were when nothing happened.

The Bundesbank's council meetings and the ensuing media circus are an extraordinary ritual, especially if one considers the normally rather mundane nature of the discussions. None of this is, of course, the Bundesbank's fault. The prediction that this ritual will continue, or even get worse, in 1993, must rank as one of the safest new year bets.

The most extraordinary aspect is the procedural predictability. Guessing the next move of German interest rates has become easier than solving *The Times* crossword. All meetings, bar one, take place in Frankfurt and on alternate Thursdays. The exception is a once-in-a-year gathering in an east German town.

Twice in a year, before the summer and winter holidays respectively, the Bundesbank determines the monetary target range, something for the true connoisseur. It is all very carefully orchestrated.

If the ritual is broken, one has good reason for suspicion. When the Bundesbank agreed a minor interest cut in return for a devaluation of the lira last September, the aspect that appeared to surprise most German commentators was not the news itself, but that the announcement was made in Rome and not in Frankfurt, and on a Sunday, not on a Thursday. Newspaper commentators wondered aloud whether this meant an end to the Bundesbank's jealously guarded independence. The verdict was that this must not happen again.

Even though the ritual and the facade will not change this year, there are nevertheless rumblings in the background. There is good news and there is bad news. But there is also bad news about the good news.

The straightforward bad news is that even if the Bundesbank cuts rates in the next few weeks, as is widely predicted, German interest rates will continue to remain uncomfortably high for the rest of Europe throughout the year, and probably beyond.

The good news is a gradual shift of power within the Bundesbank's central council, away from the official monetarist dogma, which has determined German monetary policy since the breakdown of the Bretton Woods system, in favour of a more balanced approach.

The bad news about the good news is that this is a gradual process and will not help to bail out anyone in the short run, certainly not the French government, or for that matter the ERM itself. The genuine problem for Germany is that high interest rates result not merely from "high" real and expected inflation (3 point something per cent), which is the monetarists' argument, but also from the unusually large amounts of debt that the government needs to raise in the medium-to-long term to finance unification.

As long as this situation prevails — which it will in 1993 — a policy of genuinely cheap money is difficult to conceive. German market interest rates are below 9 per cent at the moment, and they will undoubtedly come down over the year, though probably not much below 8 per cent.

If France, which is heading for zero inflation, continues with the present franc parity against the mark, the strain will become intolerable, as real interest rates approach the high level of nominal rates. Meanwhile, French unemployment is more than twice as high as German unemployment. This, in turn, means that the strains in the exchange-rate mechanism will continue, unless France bites the bullet and either leaves the ERM (most unlikely), devalues or mounts a forward defence by moving to an even narrower band against the mark, or even towards a fixed exchange rate.

As the new year begins, the situation is so tense that the slightest *mot injuste* from the Bundesbank, the most innocuous "leak", or yet another unauthorised newspaper interview could derail the franc parity and with it the ERM itself. Through its authority in world financial markets, the Bundesbank could, if it wished, destroy the very system the creation of which it fought so bitterly in 1979 and the continuation of which would eventually lead to its own demise and replacement by a European central bank in 1997 or 1999.

An alternative conspiracy theory is this: the Bundesbank may decide not to cut interest rates before the French elections in March, by which time there is a reasonable chance that the market may have done most of the "dirty work". Once the ERM is emasculated as a system with any pretence of stability, the Bundesbank could, belatedly, cut rates. Most intriguingly, it could do so with the zeal of the recent convert.

But one should be careful of taking such conspiracy theories too seriously. The Bundesbank undoubtedly played an important role during the ERM crisis in September, but it was hardly an orchestrated plot, as some people assumed at the time. The cock-up theory reigns supreme, even for the Bundesbank.

The Bundesbank could still decide to hold off a rate cut and wreak much havoc, but the motativation would be economic, not political. A good excuse for a rate cut will not present itself much before February or March. By then, much of the 1993 wage round, especially in the public sector, will be concluded, perhaps with below-inflation deals.

As part of its own commitment under a finally successful solidarity pact, the German government may be aiming for several substantive subsidy cuts to reduce future deficits. Inflation will be nominally high at close to 4 per cent. But clever Bundesbank statisticians could argue that if one excluded the one percentage point rise in value-added tax in January and some other "nasties" from the indicator, one would arrive at a picture of reasonable stability.

But genuinely low interest rates, such as 5 or 6 per cent, are inconceivable in the short term, because the policy (and the internal bloodbaths!) necessary to achieve them would simply take too long to achieve their desired effect. It cannot happen, as long as price stability, presently defined as an inflation rate of 2 per cent, remains the Bundesbank's ultimate goal. The goal itself will never change, but this is not necessarily true of the goalposts!

The result is a shift in the balance of power away from the monetarist "hawks". Legal reforms last year, which led to a change in the make-up of the central council, have already reduced the number of so-called backwoodsmen, an unkind and increasingly inaccurate term for the regional branch representatives, from 11 to nine. Furthermore, the new intake of members appears less hawkish than the previous lot. The conservative Dr Schlesinger will retire in the autumn, and will be replaced by his deputy, Hans Tietmeyer — not exactly a soft money man, but someone capable of placing monetary policy in the wider context of economic policy and, more importantly, that of European policy. Such a shift is overdue.

Foreign exchange markets will no doubt speculate on whether all this may be too late to save the franc or the ERM. The changes will certainly be too late for those millions, all over Europe, who have lost their jobs in the pursuit of a once-fashionable and ill-fated ideology.

# THE TIMES CITY DIARY

## Back at his old fighting weight

TWO years after Steve Davies resigned as head of market-making at County NatWest, claiming he was going to take a sabbatical of at least six months to lose some of the 17 stones he then weighed, he yesterday returned to the Square Mile, none the leaner. Davies, 45, a former Pinchin Denny partner, who moved to County when Morgan Grenfell withdrew from market-making, has started at Hoare Govett where his brief is to establish and run a proprietary trading department. "I've done bugger all for two years, except get in my wife's hair," admits the popular and still-cuddly Davies. "No, I didn't even manage to lose weight. I did go down to 14 stone but am now back up to 17. And yes, I missed the City dreadfully from about a month after I left it." But he did not miss those early alarm calls and yesterday his only complaint was getting up at 5.45am. at his Gerrards Cross, Bucks, home. Simon Clegg, managing director of UK equities at Hoare Govett, says Davies will lead an initial team of five, four of whom are ex-County, including Henry Kenner and Gary Tiernan. Proprietary trading was, he said, a new area for Hoare, which the firm was establishing as a separate operation to avoid conflicts of interest with clients.

## Safe — for now

DESPITE a poll on BBC Radio's *Today* programme, which revealed that 59 per cent of those who replied to a survey of Britain's biggest companies think Norman Lamont should go, there has been no resurgence of interest in betting on his removal as Chancellor. "Our punters are firmly convinced he will stay," says Stuart Wheeler, managing director of City bookmaker IG Index, "although whether they think he should is another matter." But with odds of 20-1 against his removal, Lamont's position according to IG's customers is less secure than that of the prime minister at 30-1. Looking ahead to the next election, Wheeler says the Conservatives are still favourites to win. "At the moment they think the Conservatives will win by five seats."




## Priorities right

NOTICEABLY absent from British Airways' new year party for the press at Langan's Brasserie yesterday were both its chairman and chief executive, Lord King and Sir Colin Marshall. King sent a message of apology to explain that he, like all true gentlemen at this time of year, was shooting up North, while Marshall was said to be on a plane bound for an undisclosed destination. He was in fact on the morning Concorde to New York where he will again meet USAir officials. Talk among informed sources at the party was that some sort of agreement is still a probability and that it is likely to be concluded within a matter of weeks.

## Peter Spong

AFTER a long fight against cancer, Peter Spong, a one-time partner of James Capel and with the firm for more than 20 years, has died. Spong, aged 46, married with two sons, aged 19 and 14, died on December 22. He was first diagnosed as suffering from cancer eight years ago and retired from the firm because of ill health a year ago. "He fought it all the way," says colleague and close friend Peter Taylor, of Capel's corporate bond department. "He was a private person, rather shy and not very outgoing. He was a family man. We miss him a lot." Spong, whose father Sam also once worked for Capel — retiring in 1974 as head of gilts settlements — established a reputation as a top City expert on preference shares. "He was the preference share guru," says Taylor. The funeral will take place at South Hatfield Cemetery at 2pm tomorrow, followed by a service of thanksgiving at St Mary's Church, North Mymms Park, Hertfordshire, at 2.30pm.

CAROL LEONARD

LETTERS

## Customers' needs must come first

*From Mr Nigel Stockwell*

Sir, The letter from Mr N.R. Lewis (December 30), seeking to justify the difficulty experienced by Colin Hull in obtaining a positive response from computer hardware suppliers, provides an illuminating insight into the attitudes all too prevalent in British commerce today.

My business philosophy has always been that upon entering an area of trade one treated each customer on the basis of what *he* wanted from me, the potential supplier. If one is not prepared to meet the needs of the customer, rather than what is convenient or cost-effective for the supplier, then I would suggest that one lacks the basic requirements for success in the market place: hard work and determination to build a solid client base. It has often been my experience that an initially insignificant sale in terms of a one-off profit can result in a long term relationship with that client, whose ultimate contribution to overall profit can be considerable. Some people still do appreciate the fact that you have put in some effort for little reward in meeting their initial requirements and will make a point of returning to you for future needs.

I wonder if this "easy profit for little effort", as propounded by Mr Lewis, goes some way to explaining the sob stories so frequently heard in the retail sector. As far as my company is concerned, we have consistently enjoyed increased turnover and profit in recent years; including 1992, when treating every customer as your most important seems to have become ever more important.

Perhaps in 1993 Mr Hull would care to seek quotations from suppliers on the Continent for his requirements. I doubt that they would show such a relaxed attitude to the prospects of a £6,000 order.

Yours faithfully,
NIGEL L. STOCKWELL,
Managing Director,
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Ashwellthorpe,
Norwich, Norfolk.

## Christmas closedown lasts longer in Italy

*From Mr Edward Addison*

Sir, With reference to Mr Neil Garrard's letter (December 30), I would be most surprised to hear if, as he says, his Italian company is a manufacturer, that they are fully operational at this time.

All our Italian suppliers notified us that all engineering companies will be closed until January 11, 1993.

It is bad enough that we have the annual media campaign regarding the Christmas closure of British manufacturing companies — which is shorter than that of most continental European companies — and therefore we can well do without tendentious letters of the type in question.

Yours faithfully,
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Victoria Road,
NW10.

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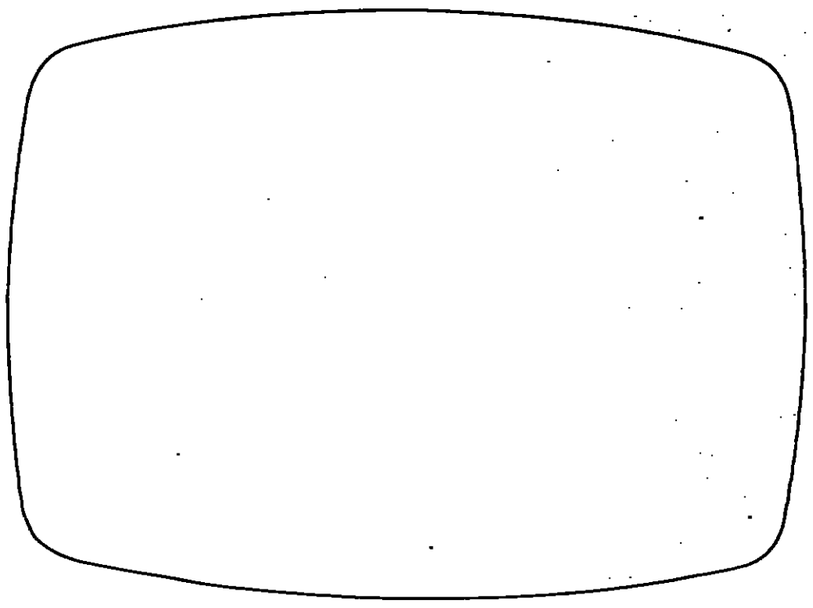
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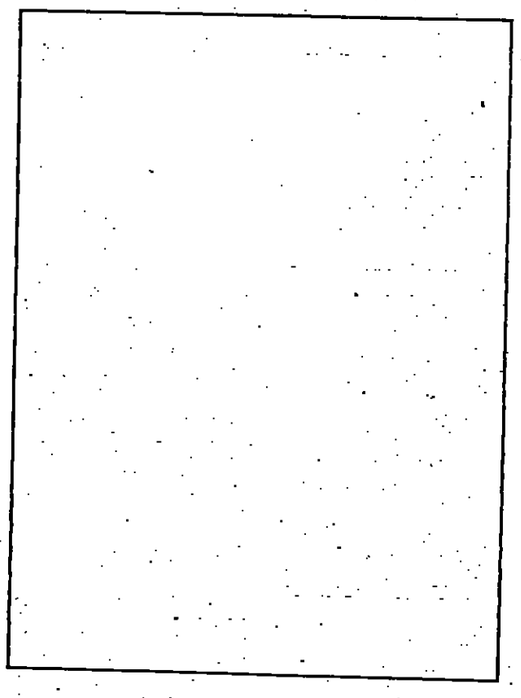
The crew on the Rio-Hobart leg was: John Chittenden, Martin Bayfield, John Cox, Nick Edgington, Chris Head, Nigel Janes, Roy Mealkin, John Nash, Richard Rollinshaw, John Tillisch, Steven Yates, Liz Macdonald, Bill Mew and Martin Barker.

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| 3 | Home Counts | Newspapr,Pub | |
| 4 | WPP | Paper,Print | |
| 5 | Enterprise | Oils, Gas | |
| 6 | Severn Trent | Water | |
| 7 | EMAP | Newspapr,Pub | |
| 8 | Epwin | Building,Rds | |
| 9 | Hardy Hanson | Breweries | |
| 10 | Savoy Hotel 'A' | Hotels,Cat | |
| 11 | BTR | Industrial | |
| 12 | Castle Comm | Leisure | |
| 13 | Minorco | Mining | |
| 14 | Scantronic | Electrical | |
| 15 | Perkins Food | Foods | |
| 16 | King Shaxson | Banks,Disc | |
| 17 | Trinity Intl | Newspapr,Pub | |
| 18 | Glynwed | Industrial | |
| 19 | St Helena | Mining | |
| 20 | Forte | Hotels,Cat | |
| 21 | Bellway | Building,Rds | |
| 22 | Porvair | Chems,Plas | |
| 23 | Courtaulds | Chems,Plas | |
| 24 | MB-Caradon | Industrial | |
| 25 | Allied-Lyons | Breweries | |
| 26 | Iceland Frozen | Foods | |
| 27 | Stakis | Hotels,Cat | |
| 28 | Norbain | Electrical | |
| 29 | Quicks Group | Motors,Air | |
| 30 | Boot (Henry) | Building,Rds | |
| 31 | Sun Alliance | Insurance | |
| 32 | BICC | Electrical | |
| 33 | Tate & Lyle | Foods | |
| 34 | Royal | Insurance | |
| 35 | Ladbroke | Hotels,Car | |
| 36 | AIM | Industrial | |
| 37 | Savills | Property | |
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| 185 | 154 | Allied Irish | 181 | +1 | ... | 6.6 | 10.4 |
| 197½ | 106 | Aus New Z | 140 | +4 | ... | 6.4 | ... |
| 3109½ | 1909½ | Bankamerica | 3087½ | -15½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 194 | 141 | Bk of Ireland | 194 | +5 | ... | 6.5 | 20.4 |
| 365 | 320 | Bk Leumi UK | 325 | ... | 16.0 | 7.5 | ... |
| 128 | 97 | Bank Scotland | 127 | +1½ | 4.3 | 4.6 | 20.0 |
| 410 | 274 | Barclays | 389 | +7½ | 21.1 | 7.2 | ... |
| 6 | 1½ | Benchmark | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 204 | 28 | Brown Shipley | 43 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 21 | 10 | Carlisle | 16 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 400 | 295 | Cater Allen | 388 | ... | 26.0 | 8.7 | ... |
| 94 | 61 | Cattles | 94 | +3 | 3.8 | 5.4 | 13.7 |
| 1950 | 912½ | Chase Manh | 1950½ | -6½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 1475 | 537½ | Citicorp | 1475 | +30 | ... | ... | ... |
| 278 | 205 | Close Bros | 275 | +25 | 9.5 | 4.6 | 12.3 |
| £104 | 7700 | Commerzbk | £100½ | +40½ | ... | 3.6 | ... |
| £281 | £214 | Deutsche Bk | £280 | -480 | ... | 2.4 | ... |
| 84 | 13 | First Nat Fin | 66 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 1104 | 493 | Fuji Bank Y | 933 | ... | ... | 0.5 | - |
| 355 | 230 | Gerrard Nat | 345 | ... | 21.0 | 8.2 | ... |
| 570 | 236 | HSBC | 501 | +9½ | ... | 3.9 | 20.6 |
| 282 | 202 | Hambros | 249 | +6 | 13.8 | 7.4 | 11.0 |
| 382 | 308 | Joseph (L) | 325 | +10 | 15.8 | 6.5 | ... |
| 101 | 54 | King Shaxson | 101 | +5 | 5.0 | 6.6 | ... |
| 324 | 212 | Kleinwort Ben | 322 | ... | 16.0 | 6.6 | 28.2 |
| 544 | 346 | Lloyds | 544 | +11 | 16.7 | 4.1 | 18.5 |
| 63 | 40 | Lon Scot Bk | 63 | ... | 2.7 | 5.8 | 14.0 |
| 351 | 259 | Nat Aust Bk | 351 | +7 | ... | ... | ... |
| 423 | 251 | Nat West | 412 | +7½ | 17.5 | 5.7 | 50.9 |
| 689 | 418 | Provident | 680 | +15 | 25.0 | 4.8 | 15.8 |
| 39 | 25 | Rea Bros | 39 | ... | 0.5 | 1.7 | ... |
| 213 | 137 | Ryl Bk Scot | 213 | +4½ | 8.5 | 5.5 | ... |
| 1365 | 1049 | Schroders | 1355 | +20 | 18.0 | 1.8 | 15.8 |
| 590 | 364 | Stand Chart | 588 | +12 | 20.0 | 4.5 | 15.2 |
| 159½ | 115 | TSB | 155 | +2½ | 8.4 | 5.5 | ... |
| 200 | 38 | Union Disc | 85 | +6 | 13.5 | ... | ... |
| 605 | 403 | Warburg SG | 597 | +4 | 18.0 | 4.2 | 16.8 |
| 204 | 137 | -do- 6% 'A' | 197 | -½ | ... | 4.1 | ... |
| 3100 | 3087½ | Wells Fargo | 5075 | -87½ | ... | 2.1 | ... |
| 183 | 99 | Westpac | 147 | +1 | ... | 3.5 | - |
| 253 | 186 | Wintrust | 190 | ... | 9.3 | 6.5 | 7.3 |

### BREWERIES

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 712 | 536 | Allied-Lyons | 648 | +2 | 20.0 | 4.1 | 15.0 |
| 656 | 422 | Bass | 648 | +10 | ... | 3.9 | 14.5 |
| 197 | 146 | Boddington | 189 | ... | 6.6 | 4.7 | 12.0 |
| 400 | 243 | Bulmer (HP) | 394 † | +1 | 9.0 | 3.0 | 18.1 |
| 143 | 111 | Burtonwd Brw | 131 | ... | 4.4 | 4.5 | 9.6 |
| 291 | 194 | Devenish (JA) | 271 † | -½ | 7.8 | 3.6 | - |
| 107 | 68 | Eldridge P 'A'♦ | 76 † | +3 | ... | 5.7 | - |
| 84½ | 47 | Fosters Brewing | 62 | +1 | ... | 2.2 | - |
| 440 | 340 | Fullr Sm 'A'♦ | 352 | -3 | ... | 2.5 | 14.8 |
| 198 | 127 | Gibbs Mew♦ | 150 | ... | 6.7 | 6.1 | 14.4 |
| 518 | 380 | Grand Met | 459 † | +1½ | ... | 3.6 | 15.4 |
| 429½ | 283 | Greenalls Grp | 419 | +10 | ... | 3.7 | 18.0 |
| 530 | 405 | Greene King | 507 † | +2½ | 11.6 | 3.1 | 13.2 |
| 644 | 471 | Guinness | 512 | -4 | 10.8 | 2.8 | 14.7 |
| 346 | 245 | Hardy Hanson | 276 | +6 | 7.9 | 3.9 | - |
| 145 | 113 | Heavitree♦ | 113 | ... | 3.0 | 3.6 | 15.7 |
| 105 | 78 | -do- 'A' LV♦ | 78 | ... | ... | 3.2 | 10.9 |
| 305 | 191 | Highland Distl | 296 | ... | 6.0 | 3.1 | 17.0 |
| 48 | 21 | Hoskins Brew | 33 | ... | ... | ... | 23.8 |
| 335 | 268 | Invergordn Dist | 331 | +2 | 6.5 | 2.7 | 18.1 |
| 220 | 151 | Macallan-Glen | 183 | ... | 0.7 | 0.6 | 36.9 |
| 680 | 380 | Marstn Thomp 'A' | 620 | +5 | 8.8 | 2.8 | 13.2 |
| 720 | 315 | Mansfield | 657 | +2 | 13.6 | 2.8 | 14.1 |
| 289 | 165 | Marston Thmp | 250 | ... | 4.9 | 2.4 | 14.6 |
| 457 | 394 | Matthew Clark | 415 | +3 | 15.7 | 5.1 | 11.8 |
| 351 | 195 | Mrrydown W♦ | 268 | +13 | ... | 3.1 | 10.3 |
| 498 | 390 | Mrchrad | 478 | -2 | 8.4 | 2.3 | 19.1 |
| 11½ | 5½ | Panmuretone | 6½ | ... | ... | 2.1 | 11.3 |
| 1039 | 665 | SA Breweries | 788 | +3 | ... | 3.6 | 11.9 |
| 452 | 380 | Scot & New | 409 † | -7½ | 16.1 | 4.6 | 12.8 |
| 200 | 143 | Taunton Cider | 193 | ... | ... | 3.3 | 20.9 |
| 224 | 148 | Vaux Group | 213 | -1 | 8.3 | 5.9 | 14.7 |
| 499 | 347 | Whitbread 'A' | 481 | -5 | 16.9 | 4.7 | 13.5 |
| 1436 | 1150 | -do- 'B' | 1165 | ... | 16.9 | 1.9 | 32.8 |
| 660 | 505 | Wolvrhmptn D | 595 | ... | 11.4 | 2.7 | - |
| 545 | 453 | Young 'A' | 513 | ... | 14.5 | 3.8 | 22.4 |

### BUILDING, ROADS

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 75 | 60 | Abbey | 75 | +2 | ... | 1.9 | 25.6 |
| 26 | 9 | Albrighton♦ | 16 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 128 | 54 | Allen♦ | 93 | ... | ... | 10.2 | 10.8 |
| 182 | 53 | Amec | 73 | +5 | 10.2 | ... | 6.7 |
| 27 | 2½ | Anglia Sec | 5 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 161 | 85 | Ashtead♦ | 139 | +4 | 4.1 | 3.5 | 21.3 |
| 151 | 100 | Attwoods | 138 | +4 | 5.0 | 4.8 | 20.0 |
| 199 | 123 | BPB Ind | 199 | +4 | 11.2 | ... | 50.6 |

### CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 243 | 162 | Allied Colloids | 241 † | -1 | 3.9 | 2.2 | 19.1 |
| 628 | 413 | Amersham | 614 | -5 | 12.5 | 2.7 | 22.8 |
| 31½ | 5½ | Anglo Utd | 7½ | ... | 0.8 | ... | ... |
| 9025 | 7262½ | BASF DM | 9037½ | -150 | ... | 9.2 | ... |
| 290 | 201 | BTP | 283 | +4 | 8.8 | 4.9 | 17.8 |
| £112 | 9050 | Bayer DM50 | £108½ | -87½ | ... | ... | ... |

### DRAPERY, STORES

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 182 | 90 | Alexon | 95 | ... | 10.6 | 14.9 | 5.2 |
| 109 | 23 | Amber Day | 42 | ... | 3.1 | 9.8 | 11.5 |
| 306 | 190 | Argos Plc | 285 | +2 | 8.4 | 3.8 | 19.8 |
| 106 | 57 | Ashley (Laura) | 81 | +3 | 4.1 | 6.2 | ... |

### ELECTRICALS

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 103 | 45 | AB Elect. | 61 | +1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 192 | 128 | ACT Group | 150 | +2 | 4.5 | 4.0 | 14.8 |
| 231 | 135 | Acala | 225 | ... | ... | 2.5 | 18.7 |

### ELECTRICITY

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 444 | 273 | East Midlands | 443 | +10 | 17.1 | 5.2 | 8.4 |
| 429 | 266 | Eastern Elect | 429 | +4 | 16.7 | 5.3 | 10.5 |
| 263 | 143 | Hydro-Elect | 257½ | -2½ | 10.1 | 4.2 | 11.5 |
| 465 | 288 | London Elect | 451 | +14 | 16.8 | 5.0 | 8.7 |
| 513 | 334 | Manweb | 500 | +12 | 18.2 | 4.9 | 7.2 |
| 482 | 287 | Midlands Elec | 481 | +8 | 17.2 | 4.8 | 10.0 |
| 490 | 285 | Northern Elec | 480 | +8 | 18.5 | 5.1 | 7.2 |
| 491 | 288 | Norweb | 481 | +6 | 17.3 | 4.9 | 9.1 |
| 247 | 141 | Scottish Power | 249½ | -1½ | 10.1 | 4.3 | 11.5 |
| 474 | 287 | Seeboard | 471 † | +3½ | 17.2 | 4.9 | 8.5 |
| 539 | 313 | Sth Wales | 505 † | +¼ | 19.4 | 5.1 | 8.0 |
| 473 | 283 | Sth Western | 473 | +7 | 17.4 | 5.0 | 8.4 |
| 449 | 270 | Southern Elec | 448 † | +3½ | 16.6 | 5.0 | 8.9 |
| 511 | 331 | Yorkshire Elec | 508 † | +6 | 17.7 | 4.7 | 9.4 |
| 280½ | 188 | National Powr | 282½ | -2½ | 9.1 | 4.3 | 9.2 |
| 285 | 196 | PowerGen | 284 | -1 | 9.2 | 4.4 | 8.7 |

### FINANCE, LAND

### FINANCIAL TRUSTS

### FOODS

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 510 | 382 | AB Food | 509 | ... | 14.0 | 3.7 | 11.5 |
| 39½ | 22 | ASDA Group | 39½ | +3½ | 2.1 | ... | 15.2 |
| 173 | 75 | Acatos & Hutch | 173 | +2 | 6.5 | 5.1 | - |

### HOTELS, CATERERS

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 23 | 16 | Abydn Stk H♦ | 16 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 78 | 52 | City Centre Rest | 78 | +1 | 1.4 | 2.5 | 21.9 |
| 262 | 182 | Forte | 195 | +7 | 9.9 | 6.8 | ... |

### INDUSTRIALS

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 198 | 135 | AAF Inds | 186 | +3 | ... | 5.4 | 9.8 |
| 579 | 460 | AAH | 575 | +1 | 16.3 | 3.8 | 18.3 |
| 203 | 122 | AIM | 148 | +5 | 6.5 | 5.9 | 10.5 |

### INSURANCE

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1775 | 1025 | Alex & Alex | 1750♦ | +12½ | ... | 3.6 | ... |
| 3812½ | 2250 | Am Gen | 3787½ | +25 | ... | 3.5 | ... |
| 66 | 27 | Archer (AJ) | 39 | ... | 4.4 | 15.9 | 17.9 |
| 168 | 83 | Bradstock | 134 | +1 | 5.1 | 5.2 | - |
| 1103 | 762 | Britannic | 1097 | -3 | 29.5 | 3.6 | ... |

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 687 | 402 | Com Union | 632 | +11 | 23.6 | 5.0 | ... |
| 1225 | 900 | Dom & Gen | 1225 | ... | ... | 2.0 | 20.2 |
| 31 | 18 | FAI | 20 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 605 | 350 | Gen Accident | 591 | +15 | 26.7 | 6.0 | ... |
| 188 | 108 | GRE | 167 | +1 | 7.0 | ... | ... |
| 477 | 312 | Heath C E | 349 | ... | 16.0 | 6.1 | 20.5 |
| 188 | 106 | Hogg Gp | 171 | ... | 8.1 | 6.4 | 10.4 |
| 208 | 102 | IIB Group | 165 | ... | ... | 6.1 | 12.1 |
| 438 | 287 | Legal & Gen | 424 | +10 | 18.8 | 5.9 | ... |
| 819 | 557 | Liberty Life | 815 | ... | ... | 5.4 | 19.9 |
| 447 | 285 | Lloyds Abbey | 424 | +3 | 17.3 | 5.4 | 14.2 |
| 261 | 180 | Lloyd Thomp | 255 | ... | 5.6 | 2.9 | 18.8 |
| 295 | 193 | Londn & Man | 204 | ... | 13.5 | 6.2 | 22.6 |
| 354 | 224 | Lowndes Lmb | 321 | -2 | 12.6 | 5.2 | 12.8 |
| 6187½ | 3937½ | Marsh McLn | 6062½ | +37½ | ... | 2.8 | ... |
| 154 | 94 | Octel | 94 | ... | ... | 7.1 | 6.9 |
| 81 | 30 | PWS | 53 | ... | 4.0 | 10.1 | 10.8 |
| 399 | 199 | Prudential | 301½ | +3 | 11.0 | 4.9 | 26.2 |
| 805 | 504 | Refuge | 805 | +5 | 29.0 | 4.8 | 36.1 |
| 294 | 188 | Royal | 277 | +9 | 11.2 | ... | ... |
| 240 | 100 | Sedgwick | 177 | +9 | 6.0 | 4.5 | 19.0 |
| 322 | 182 | Steel Burrill | 217 | +1 | 13.2 | 8.1 | 13.7 |
| 232 | 53 | Sturge Hldgs | 85 | ... | 8.2 | 12.8 | - |
| 358 | 214 | Sun Alliance | 347 | +5 | 14.2 | 5.5 | ... |
| 59 | 20 | Trade Indemnity | 35 | -1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 243 | 165 | Transatlantic | 240 | +1 | ... | 6.7 | 16.8 |
| 505 | 305 | Utd Friendly | 500 | -3 | 12.3 | 3.3 | 25.4 |
| 274 | 144 | Willis Corroon | 192 | +3 | 13.2 | 9.2 | 21.5 |
| 21 | 14 | Windsor | 18 | ... | ... | ... | 66.1 |

### INVESTMENT TRUSTS

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1575 | 1218 | Alliance | 1575 | +9 | 43.0 | 3.6 | 36.4 |
| 234 | 152 | Amer Trust | 233 | -½ | 4.8 | 2.7 | 48.4 |
| 316 | 228 | Ang & O'seas | 313 | ... | 6.4 | 2.7 | 46.9 |
| 128 | 98½ | BZW Conv | 125 | +½ | 7.8 | 8.3 | 14.6 |
| 139 | 104 | Bankers | 137½ | ... | 3.4 | 3.4 | - |
| 268 | 210 | Baring Tribne | 268 | +3 | 6.2 | 3.1 | 43.1 |
| 172 | 116 | Berry Starq | 131 | ... | 2.0 | 2.0 | 64.3 |

### LEISURE

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 66½ | 2 | Airbreak Leis | 3¼# | ... | ... | ... | 0.7 |
| 337 | 172 | Alexanrs | 320 † | +26½ | 7.2 | 3.0 | - |
| 90 | 18 | Ald Leis | 44 | ... | 4.7 | 14.4 | 9.6 |
| 263 | 145 | Anglia TV | 201 | +3 | ... | 5.3 | 18.1 |
| 217 | 135 | Barr & W 'A' | 194 | ... | 10.0 | 6.9 | 9.7 |
| 1030 | 795 | Boosey Hwks | 950 | +20 | 20.0 | 2.8 | 15.2 |
| 113 | 70 | Border TV♦ | 103 | ... | ... | 3.5 | 13.5 |
| 15½ | 4 | Brent Walker | 4½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 15 | 2½ | Buckingham Int | 4½ | ... | 2.1 | ... | 1.1 |
| 448 | 200 | Campari | 259 | +15 | ... | 5.7 | 7.0 |
| 226 | 126 | Capital Radio | 171 | ... | 5.2 | 4.1 | 19.9 |
| 778 | 466 | Carlton Comm | 778 | +10 | ... | 3.0 | 22.4 |
| 223 | 120 | Castle Comms♦ | 180 | +2 | ... | 7.1 | 18.0 |
| 1623 | 1050 | Central TV | 1623 | +8 | 30.5 | 2.5 | 20.8 |
| 88 | 49 | Chrysalis | 75 | ... | ... | ... | - |
| 539 | 405 | Compass Gp | 525 | +7 | 12.3 | 3.2 | - |
| 341 | 223 | Eurocamp | 326 | +14 | ... | 3.5 | 17.9 |
| 1093 | 603 | Euro Disney | 755 | -28 | ... | 1.6 | ... |
| 10 | 1 | Euro Leisure | 3½ | ... | ... | ... | 6.3 |
| 36 | 11 | Ex-Lands | 20 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 10½ | 1 | Expedier♦ | 1½ | -½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 448 | 110 | Fairline Boats | 247 | +2 | 10.5 | 5.8 | ... |
| 381 | 239 | First Leisure | 351 | +13 | 5.7 | 2.2 | 23.8 |
| 328 | 250 | GWR Gp♦ | 298 | ... | ... | 3.2 | ... |
| 170 | 91 | Grampian | 151 | +2 | 5.5 | 4.9 | 10.6 |
| 8 | 5 | Greenwich Comm | 5½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 92 | 13 | HTV Group | 20 | ... | 3.7 | ... | ... |
| 208 | 30 | Hi-Tec Sports | 30 | ... | 5.5 | ... | 1.9 |
| 18½ | 7½ | Kunick | 5½ | ... | 1.4 | ... | 12.1 |
| 297 | 220 | LWT CP | 266 | +3 | ... | 2.6 | 13.0 |
| 329 | 260 | Man Utd | 329 | +2 | 18.0 | 7.3 | 11.3 |
| 123 | 44½ | Owners Abrd | 107½ | +11 | 3.5 | 4.4 | - |
| 33 | 19 | The Pelican Gp | 33 | ... | ... | 4.0 | 11.4 |
| 64 | 50 | Prism Leisure♦ | 55 | ... | ... | 6.8 | 7.0 |
| 61 | 19 | Quadrant Grp | 20 | ... | 4.0 | ... | 3.0 |
| 319 | 274 | Radio Clyde♦ | 306 | +6 | ... | 3.7 | - |
| 177 | 125 | Rumsdens (H) | 143 | +4 | ... | 4.2 | 21.1 |
| 441 | 202½ | Scot TV | 433 | +2 | ... | 2.5 | 27.9 |
| 66 | 40 | Southern Radio | 30 | +2 | 0.7 | 2.1 | 20.8 |
| 191 | 125 | Stanley Leisure | 169 | ... | ... | 3.3 | 13.9 |
| 13 | 4 | Sunleigh♦ | 5½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 195 | 135 | Sunset & Vine | 138 | ... | 3.5 | 3.4 | 14.9 |
| 33 | 27 | TSW | 29 | ... | ... | 22.7 | 3.7 |
| 33 | 22 | TV-am♦ | 22 # | ... | ... | ... | 1.0 |
| 35 | 3½ | TVS | 30 | -½ | ... | ... | 1.0 |
| 200 | 134 | Thames TV | 157 | ... | 7.5 | 6.4 | 4.5 |
| 118 | 75 | Tottenham Hsr | 84 | ... | ... | ... | 4.2 |
| 75 | 38 | Trans World♦ | 45 | +1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 10 | 2 | Trillion♦ | 3 # | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 276 | 154 | Ulster TV | 274 | ... | 7.5 | 3.6 | 19.0 |
| 90 | 16 | Wembley | 17½ | +½ | 1.8 | ... | ... |
| 18½ | 4½ | Wildeagle | 7½ | ... | ... | 25.8 | 2.6 |
| 191½ | 110 | Yorkshire TV | 110 | ... | 12.0 | 14.5 | 8.5 |
| 136 | 80 | Zetters Gp | 84 | ... | 8.0 | 12.7 | 8.4 |

### MINING

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4112½ | 1800 | Am Gold | 1875 | -71½ | ... | 11.9 | 8.4 |
| 2237½ | 1000 | Ang Am Coal | 1050 | -25 | ... | 9.7 | 4.5 |
| 2225 | 1012½ | Ang Am | 1162½ | -9½ | ... | 6.6 | 7.2 |
| 13½ | 7½ | Anglo Pac Res♦ | 8½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 170 | 33 | Blyvoor | 38 | -3 | ... | 21.4 | 1.6 |

### MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 125 | 90 | Airflow Stream | 103 | +8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 15.5 |
| 123 | 56 | Appleyard | 85 | ... | 7.8 | 12.2 | 62.8 |
| 208 | 130 | Bletchley Mtr | 207 | +3 | 8.2 | 7.3 | 11.6 |
| 145 | 115 | Bostrom | 123 | +3 | 6.0 | 6.5 | 33.5 |
| 379 | 100 | Br Aerospace | 175 | -10 | 25.0 | ... | 3.7 |
| 378 | 303 | Caffyns | 328 | ... | 11.5 | 4.7 | 42.7 |
| 139 | 95 | Central Mtr♦ | 112 | ... | ... | 4.8 | 15.1 |
| 48 | 15½ | Cook (DC)♦ | 24 | +2 | ... | 2.8 | ... |
| 166 | 99 | Cowie (T) | 158 | +2 | 4.8 | 4.1 | 11.9 |
| 133 | 75 | Dag Motors | 96 | +10 | 5.7 | 8.0 | 11.3 |
| 128 | 85 | Davenport Vern | 107 | ... | 4.0 | 5.0 | 12.6 |
| 231 | 130 | ERF | 175 | -30 | 4.0 | ... | ... |
| 235 | 163 | FR Group | 232 | +6 | 6.6 | 3.8 | 11.1 |
| 2868½ | 1500 | Ford Motor | 2842½ | -25 | ... | ... | ... |
| 2537½ | 1681½ | General Mtr | 2143½ | ... | ... | 2.4 | ... |
| 92 | 43 | Henlys | 86 | -1 | 3.0 | 4.7 | ... |
| 735 | 465 | Honda Motor | 702 | -52 | ... | 0.8 | ... |
| 31 | 10 | Jacks (Wm) | 16 | +1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 95 | 49 | Jessups | 71 | +4 | 4.5 | 8.5 | ... |
| 225 | 68 | Kwik-Fit | 133 | +7 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 13.2 |
| 290 | 175 | Lex Service | 285 | ... | 10.0 | 4.7 | ... |
| 128 | 74 | Lookers | 95 | +10 | 6.2 | 8.7 | ... |
| 133 | 77 | Lucas | 131 | -1 | 7.0 | 7.1 | ... |
| 258 | 169 | Pendragon | 258 | +3 | 6.0 | 3.1 | 23.1 |
| 175 | 103 | Perry Gp | 107 | +1 | 9.0 | 11.2 | 19.1 |
| 130 | 56 | Quicks Group | 113 | +5 | 3.0 | 3.5 | 20.8 |
| 176 | 89 | Rolls-Royce | 118 | +2 | 7.2 | 8.2 | 22.3 |
| 160 | 99 | Vardy (Reg) | 133 | +3 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 18.0 |
| 127 | 93 | Westland | 127 | +1 | 4.2 | 4.5 | - |

### NEWS, PUBLISHERS

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 108 | 73 | Adscene | 108 | ... | 4.0 | 5.2 | 15.4 |
| 390 | 315 | Black (A&C) | 330 | ... | 13.0 | 5.3 | 19.7 |
| 578 | 398 | Blenheim Gp | 482 | +4 | 9.0 | 2.4 | 18.4 |
| 330 | 248 | Bristol | 287 | +5 | 11.5 | 5.3 | 21.3 |
| 7950 | 5900 | Daily Mail | 7950 † | +146½ | 13.0 | 2.2 | - |
| 7900 | 5800 | Daily Mail 'A' | 7900 † | +196½ | 13.0 | 2.2 | - |
| 284 | 193 | Dorling Kind | 284 | +3 | ... | 1.4 | 27.1 |
| 350 | 224½ | EMAP | 350 | +8 | ... | 2.9 | 22.8 |
| 890 | 533 | Euromoney Pb | 873 | ... | 28.5 | 4.5 | - |
| 233 | 155 | Haynes Pub | 223 | ... | 6.0 | 3.4 | 9.8 |
| 231 | 140 | Headline | 231 | +1 | 10.0 | 1.7 | 25.7 |
| 183 | 105 | Home Counts | 113 | +8 | 8.2 | 9.7 | 21.3 |

### OILS, GAS

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 18 | 6 | Aberdeen Pet♦ | 7½ | +½ | ... | ... | 7.7 |
| 19½ | 11½ | Aran Energy | 19 | +½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 68 | 23 | Arcon Intl♦ | 43 | +3 | ... | ... | ... |
| 44 | 27 | Aus Oil & Gas | 43 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 200 | 20 | Aviva Pet | 36 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 48 | 8 | Beverley | 9½ | ... | 0.6 | ... | ... |
| 6½ | 1½ | Blyand | 2½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 195 | 105 | Br Borneo | 146 | ... | 7.1 | 6.5 | 16.1 |
| 295 | 223 | British Gas | 252½ | +1 | ... | 6.1 | 13.5 |
| 304 | 182 | Br Petroleum | 248 | -2½ | ... | 5.7 | 49.2 |

### PAPER, PRINT, ADVTG

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 251 | 168 | API | 251 | +2 | 7.5 | 4.0 | - |
| 250 | 129½ | Arjo Wiggins | 154 | +2½ | 8.3 | ... | 12.5 |
| 410 | 365 | Abbott Mead | 408 | +1 | 8.4 | 2.7 | 20.5 |
| 3 | ¼ | Ards Group | ¾ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 128 | 15 | Aegis Gp | 20 | ... | ... | ... | 6.7 |
| 175 | 105 | Aspen Comms♦ | 175 | +20 | ... | 3.7 | 24.0 |
| 13 | 7 | BBB Design♦ | 7 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 278 | 180 | Bemrose | 276 | +19 | 11.7 | 5.7 | 14.1 |
| 60 | 23 | Birkdale | 31 | ... | 0.2 | 0.9 | 26.3 |
| 123 | 80 | Bunzl | 121 | +2 | 4.0 | 4.4 | 28.2 |
| 262 | 147 | CIA Gp | 262 | ... | ... | 1.9 | 17.4 |
| 51 | 36 | City of Lon♦ | 50 | ... | ... | 9.1 | 10.5 |
| 40 | 1½ | Clarke Hooper♦ | 1½# | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 206 | 135 | Cropper (Jmes) | 170 | ... | 3.0 | 2.4 | 19.3 |
| 41 | 6 | Crown Comm♦ | 6 # | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 60 | 30 | Delyn Pckaging | 54 | +3 | 1.4 | 3.6 | 10.7 |
| 149 | 78 | Dolphin Pack | 98 | ... | 4.5 | 6.1 | 13.0 |
| 74½ | 42 | Dudley Jenkins♦ | 43 | ... | ... | 12.4 | 10.8 |
| 15 | 9½ | Elswick | 14 | ... | 0.2 | ... | 11.8 |
| 68 | 38 | Fairway Group♦ | 42 | ... | ... | 10.0 | 11.2 |
| 285 | 211 | Ferguson Intl | 285 | +3 | 12.5 | 5.8 | 16.4 |
| 76 | 25 | Flodraz♦ | 76 | +2 | ... | 0.7 | 18.8 |
| 48 | 6 | Fitch | 17 | ... | ... | ... | 1.9 |
| 71 | 47 | Gibbon Lyons♦ | 71 | ... | ... | 9.4 | 13.9 |
| 258 | 194 | Gold Greenless | 258 | ... | ... | 8.3 | 4.3 | 19.7 |
| 53 | 32 | Goodhead | 40 | ... | ... | 0.5 | 1.7 | 78.6 |
| 160 | 32½ | Hunterprint | 43 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 50 | 13 | Lopex | 21 | ... | ... | ... | 8.7 |
| 263 | 133 | More O'Ferrall | 180 | +4 | 13.2 | 9.8 | 11.1 |
| 59 | 27 | NMC Group | 50 | +1 | 1.2 | ... | 9.9 |
| 117 | 40 | Olive Hldgs | 40 | ... | 9.0 | ... | 6.1 |
| 86 | 58 | Osborne & Little | 67 † | +1 | 4.3 | 8.7 | 8.6 |
| 189 | 132 | Quarto | 167 | ... | 5.2 | 5.0 | 9.6 |
| 341 | 231 | St Ives Gp | 341 | +11 | 5.2 | 2.1 | 23.2 |
| 245 | 115 | Saatchi | 155 | +3 | ... | ... | ... |
| 754 | 447 | Sappi | 490 | +1 | ... | 8.7 | 8.5 |
| 14½ | 1½ | Scitl♦ | 12½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 43 | 3 | Shandwick | 17 | +1 | ... | ... | 13.8 |
| 351 | 233 | Smith David | 296 | +1 | 9.5 | 4.3 | 17.0 |
| 335 | 230 | Smurfit (Jefl) | 279 † | +9½ | ... | 0.6 | 9.1 |
| 263 | 171 | Star-Plas | 186 | +3 | 7.1 | 5.1 | 13.5 |
| 16½ | 10½ | Taylor Nelson | 16½ | ... | ... | 1.3 | 34.2 |
| 185 | 76 | Usher Walker | 161 | ... | 6.0 | 5.0 | 30.3 |
| 65 | 37 | VTR♦ | 38 | ... | ... | 11.9 | 10.8 |
| 115 | 31 | WPP | 52 | +5 | ... | ... | ... |
| 105 | 48 | Wace | 62 | ... | 8.2 | 17.7 | 6.9 |
| 217 | 158 | Waddington (J) | 217 | +4½ | 7.9 | 4.9 | 16.4 |
| 540 | 391 | Watmough | 540 | ... | 10.5 | 2.6 | 23.5 |
| 4 | ½ | Waverley Cam | ¾# | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 5 | 1½ | Westport♦ | 4½ | +½ | ... | ... | 16.1 |
| 39 | 12 | Whitney Mcke♦ | 12 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 75 | 51 | Wood (SW) | 57 | ... | 0.2 | 0.6 | ... |

### PROPERTY

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3½ | 1½ | Abaca Group♦ | 1½# | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 86 | 28 | Allied Lon | 42 | ... | 3.5 | 11.2 | 36.2 |
| 70 | 55 | Arcadian | 59 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 73 | 34 | Asda | 59 | +5 | 2.0 | 4.5 | 21.0 |
| 141 | 64 | Avonside | 97 | ... | ... | 8.0 | 7.8 |
| 2450 | 1887½ | BCE♦ | 2175 | +37½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 478 | 268 | Bilton | 396 | ... | 18.0 | 6.1 | 14.3 |
| 45 | 23 | Bourne End | 24 | ... | 1.0 | 5.6 | ... |
| 160 | 108 | Bradford | 151 | -1 | 4.4 | 3.9 | 13.7 |
| 36 | 11 | Bredero | 23 | +5 | ... | ... | 2.2 |
| 275 | 110 | Br Land | 188 † | +½ | 6.3 | 4.5 | 17.3 |
| 188 | 108 | Brixton | 164 | ... | 8.1 | 6.6 | 12.5 |
| 55 | 44 | Burford | 45 | ... | 0.9 | 2.8 | 23.5 |
| 125 | 88 | Cap & Regnls | 108 | +4 | ... | 1.3 | ... |
| 200 | 75 | Cardiff Prop | 120 | ... | 2.4 | 2.7 | 54.6 |
| 433 | 108 | Chesterfield | 198 | +1 | 18.5 | ... | 14.0 |

### SHOES, LEATHER

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 28 | 9 | Automagic♦ | 12 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 99 | 42 | Headlam | 91 | ... | 2.4 | 3.5 | 36.0 |
| 428 | 265 | Lambert | 333 | +3 | 12.5 | 5.0 | 8.7 |
| 111 | 63 | Pittard Garnar | 80 | ... | 1.5 | 2.5 | 10.6 |
| 41 | 18 | Strong & Fisher | 25 | +3 | 1.0 | 5.3 | 7.0 |
| 193 | 88 | Stylo | 89 | ... | 2.5 | 3.7 | ... |

### TEXTILES

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 441 | 362 | Allied Text | 410 | -1 | 12.3 | 4.0 | 14.6 |
| 73 | 47 | Beckman (A) | 60 | ... | 4.7 | 10.6 | 11.9 |
| 52 | 23 | Bolton Gp | 25 | ... | ... | ... | 12.7 |
| 162 | 138 | Br Mohair | 141 | ... | 8.5 | 8.0 | 11.1 |
| 91 | 30 | Celestion | 91 | +2 | 1.2 | 1.8 | ... |
| 41 | 15 | Chartwell♦ | 15 | ... | 0.4 | 3.6 | ... |
| 308 | 186½ | Claremont Ga | 303 | +2 | ... | 1.7 | 20.8 |
| 582 | 364 | Courtauld Text | 555 | -2 | 13.0 | 3.1 | 16.4 |
| 237 | 160 | Dawson | 237 | ... | 9.0 | 5.1 | 23.1 |
| 59 | 17 | Drummond | 25 | ... | 1.5 | ... | 7.7 |
| 6 | 1½ | Dunkeld | 3½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 75 | 60 | Fempel♦ | 65 † | +1 | ... | ... | 10.1 | 6.4 |
| 68 | 24 | Foster (John) | 34 | ... | 0.5 | 2.8 | ... |
| 142 | 84 | Gaskell | 85 | ... | 8.5 | ... | ... |
| 160 | 99 | Hicking Pntcst | 158 | +2 | 3.4 | 2.9 | 13.4 |
| 73 | 38 | Jerome (S) | 48 | ... | 1.0 | ... | ... |
| 380 | 215 | Lamont | 249 | ... | ... | 6.4 | 12.2 |
| 533 | 308 | Leeds | 532 | ... | ... | 2.8 | 16.1 |
| 41 | 15 | Lister | 15 | ... | 0.1 | 0.9 | ... |
| 118 | 81 | Lyles (S) | 114 | +3 | 4.9 | 5.7 | 12.9 |
| 85 | 53 | Parkland 'A' | 69 † | ... | 2.0 | 3.9 | ... |
| 87 | 63 | Readicut | 83 | +1 | 3.4 | 5.5 | 16.5 |
| 71 | 30 | SEET | 36 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 91 | 67 | Sirdar | 72 | ... | 5.1 | 9.5 | 12.5 |
| 47 | 29 | Stirling Gp | 47 | ... | 1.6 | 4.7 | 19.5 |
| 59 | 31 | Stoddard | 30 | ... | 2.6 | 7.0 | 13.3 |
| 312 | 198 | Tomkinsons | 254 | +4 | 11.5 | 6.0 | - |
| 5½ | 3 | West Trust | 3½ | ... | 0.2 | 9.5 | ... |
| 261 | 160 | Yorklyde | 252 | ... | 9.7 | 5.2 | 11.7 |

### TOBACCOS

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1010 | 608 | BAT | 981 | -2 | 33.6 | 4.6 | 23.9 |
| 669 | 480 | Rothmans 'B' | 649 | -2 | 10.2 | 2.1 | 14.8 |

### TRANSPORT

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 440 | 211 | Assoc Br Ports | 387 | -5 | 8.0 | 2.9 | 78.6 |
| 816 | 531 | BAA | 785 | -2 | 14.5 | 2.5 | 13.9 |
| 315 | 219 | Br Airways | 308 | -½ | 10.1 | 4.4 | 8.2 |
| 182 | 45 | Clarkson (H) | 68 | ... | 8.0 | ... | 3.5 |
| 101 | 11 | Davies Newman | 23 # | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 488 | 293 | Eurotunnel Uts | 337 | -2 | ... | ... | ... |
| 88 | 44 | Fisher (James) | 44 | ... | 5.5 | ... | 12.3 |
| 140 | 70 | Goig | 137 † | +1 | 4.5 | 4.4 | ... |
| 233 | 147 | Isle Steam | 147 | ... | ... | 6.8 | 7.1 |
| 39 | 22 | Jacobs (JI) | 31 | ... | 1.9 | 8.2 | 18.5 |
| 53 | 42 | Lon O'Seas Frts | 43 | ... | 1.2 | 3.9 | 2.6 |
| 1512½ | 1237½ | Manchstr Sh | 1312½ | ... | 4.5 | 0.5 | 5.3 |
| 282 | 190 | Mersey Docks | 282 | +2 | 6.0 | 2.8 | 15.6 |
| 280 | 216 | NFC | 276 | -½ | ... | 3.2 | 21.6 |
| 337 | 170 | Ocean Group | 255 | +10 | 14.3 | 7.5 | 11.5 |
| 63 | 31 | Ocean Wilson | 43 | ... | ... | 8.2 | 9.6 |
| 555 | 291½ | P & O Dfd | 520 | +15½ | 30.5 | 7.8 | 18.3 |
| 156 | 97 | P & O 5 1/2% | 131 | ... | ... | 5.6 | ... |
| 466 | 287 | Powell Duffryn | 466 | +4 | 22.6 | 6.5 | 18.6 |
| 117 | 96 | Seacon♦ | 117 | ... | ... | 4.8 | 8.2 |
| 59 | 29½ | TIP Europe | 29½ | +½ | 1.4 | 7.3 | 6.2 |
| 87 | 24 | TNT | 37½ | +1½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 625 | 455½ | Tibbet & Britn | 616 | ... | ... | 2.3 | 24.9 |
| 478 | 214 | Tiphook | 365 † | +10 | 17.3 | 6.3 | 7.2 |
| 300 | 208 | Transport Dev | 271 | ... | 9.5 | 4.7 | 16.2 |

### WATER

| High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 502 | 308½ | Anglian Water | 491 † | ... | 19.3 | 5.2 | 8.9 |
| 594 | 336 | Northumbrian | 584 | ... | 20.5 | 4.7 | 6.0 |
| 513 | 323 | North West | 477 | +½ | 19.6 | 5.5 | 8.4 |
| 470 | 298 | Severn Trent | 451 | +1 | 19.3 | 5.6 | 6.7 |
| 485 | 301 | Sthrn Water | 469 † | ... | 19.5 | 5.5 | 8.3 |
| 1270 | 670 | Sth Staffs | 1238 | +3 | 40.2 | 4.4 | 7.9 |
| 524 | 305 | South West | 487 | -2 | 21.7 | 5.9 | 7.4 |
| 518 | 324 | Thames Water | 498 | +4 | 19.2 | 5.2 | 9.3 |
| 546 | 337 | Welsh Water | 529 | -2 | 21.4 | 5.4 | 6.1 |
| 603 | 366 | Wessex Water | 588 † | -1½ | 19.5 | 4.4 | 8.1 |
| 547 | 336 | Yorkshire W | 528 | +2 | 19.5 | 4.9 | 8.6 |

Source: Finstat

♦ USM; # Price at suspension; † Ex dividend; ‡ Ex scrip; † Ex rights issue; ♦ Ex all; ‡ Ex capital distribution; - Figures or report awaited; ... No significant data.


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80 Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL. 0345 717373

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mastertrust | 102.20 | 109.30 | -0.80 | 1.72 |
| International | 74.94 | 79.72 | +0.47 | 1.28 |
| Dividend Gth | 52.67 | 56.03 | -1.24 | 5.35 |
| Global Gth Sec | 58.67 | 62.41 | +0.02 | 3.19 |
| Ethical Growth | 59.69 | 63.50 | +0.16 | 3.04 |
| High Inc Equity | 139.50 | 148.40 | -1.80 | 5.73 |
| Worldwide Bond | 255.70 | 270.90 | +1.50 | 4.61 |
| Gilts Fixed Int | 127.00 | 134.60 | -0.40 | 7.06 |

**ABTRUST MANAGEMENT LTD**
10 Queens Terrace, Aberdeen AB9 1QJ. 0224 633070. Dealing: 0800 833580
30 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 7QQ. 071 374 4801

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amer Inc Gth | 41.43 | 43.86 | +0.20 | 1.93 |
| European | 71.79 | 76.18 | -0.27 | ... |
| European Inc | 73.09 | 77.63 | -0.43 | 1.72 |
| Exempt | 866.30 | 894.70 | -2.90 | 3.42 |
| Extra Inc | 39.34 | 42.69 | +0.15 | 5.89 |
| F Eas Emerg Ec | 71.17 | 75.75 | -0.05 | 0.83 |

**ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS**
Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon, SN1 1EL. 0793 514514. Dealing: 0793 610366

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| High Inc | 352.00 | 376.20 | +5.30 | 4.93 |
| Equity Inc | 197.60 | 211.20 | +2.70 | 4.85 |
| High Yield | 218.90 | 234.00 | -2.50 | 4.68 |
| Balanced | 609.00 | 651.00 | +7.40 | 3.15 |
| American Inc | 44.67 | 47.75 | +0.40 | 3.50 |
| Wld Asset Val | 34.49 | 36.86 | +0.11 | 1.65 |
| Japan | 135.00 | 143.40 | ... | 0.01 |
| Secs of Am | 410.90 | 437.80 | -0.40 | 0.34 |

**AXA EQUITY & LAW**
St George's Hse, Corporation St, Coventry CV1 1QD. 0203 553231

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| UK Growth Acc | 304.00 | 323.50 | +3.60 | 3.03 |
| -do- Inc | 217.90 | 231.90 | +2.60 | 3.03 |
| Higher Inc Acc | 524.80 | 558.30 | +7.40 | 4.37 |
| -do- Inc | 323.60 | 344.30 | +4.50 | 4.37 |
| Gilt/Fxd Int Acc | 167.20 | 177.10 | -0.60 | 7.20 |
| -do- Inc | 90.34 | 95.42 | -0.35 | 7.20 |
| Nth America | 264.90 | 281.90 | +6.50 | ... |
| Far East | 237.60 | 253.00 | +0.30 | 1.10 |
| Europe | 198.50 | 211.20 | -1.20 | 1.34 |
| General Inc | 409.70 | 435.90 | +2.80 | 2.63 |
| -do- Acc | 446.20 | 474.70 | +3.00 | 2.63 |
| Brit Excell | 61.71 | 65.65 | -0.20 | 3.11 |
| Brit Fndmtls Inc | 61.52 | 65.45 | -0.33 | 5.03 |
| Brit Fndmtls Acc | 78.38 | 83.39 | -0.42 | 5.03 |
| Global Opps | 64.64 | 68.77 | +0.46 | 0.01 |

**BARCLAYS UNICORN LTD**
Gredley Hse, 1-11 Broadway, London E15. 081 534 5544

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Capital | 104.20 | 111.50 | -0.10 | 3.29 |
| Euro Gth Inc | 104.50 | 110.60 | -0.10 | 1.34 |
| Extra Inc | 96.77 | 103.50 | ... | 5.89 |
| General | 227.80 | 243.60 | -0.40 | 3.58 |
| Gilt Fxd Inc | 56.31 | 58.27 | +0.01 | 9.06 |
| Income | 443.70 | 474.50 | +0.30 | 3.27 |

**BARING FUND MANAGERS**
PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ. 081 658 9002

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American Gth | 89.95 | 95.59 | +0.56 | 0.10 |
| Amer Smllr Cos | 119.90 | 128.10 | +2.00 | ... |
| Australia | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Convertibles | 47.69 | 51.00 | +0.21 | 7.60 |
| Eastern | 160.30 | 172.30 | -0.50 | 1.70 |
| Equity Income | 71.33 | 75.88 | +0.71 | 6.60 |
| European Gth | 209.30 | 222.80 | -1.50 | 1.60 |
| Euro Smllr Cos | 139.00 | 151.10 | ... | 1.50 |
| Exempt | 78.88 | 81.14 | ... | 3.80 |
| German Growth | 49.46 | 52.79 | -0.54 | 0.80 |
| Global Growth | 101.20 | 106.10 | +0.40 | ... |
| Japan Growth | 151.70 | 162.80 | +0.20 | ... |
| Japan Sunrise | 123.80 | 132.20 | ... | ... |
| Portfolio | 111.00 | 118.80 | +3.40 | 3.30 |
| -do- Acc | 196.10 | 210.10 | +6.10 | 3.30 |
| UK Growth | 68.75 | 73.13 | +0.07 | 3.20 |
| UK Smaller Cos | 65.90 | 70.48 | +0.23 | 2.00 |
| Select Managers | 58.30 | 62.47 | -0.15 | 2.10 |

**BRITANNIA LIFE UNIT MANAGERS LTD**
190 West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA. 041 332 3132

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Balan Gth Acc | 98.28 | 105.11 | +0.48 | 2.40 |
| -do- Inc | 90.01 | 96.27 | +0.44 | 2.40 |
| Global Bond | 27.92 | 29.62 | +0.08 | 5.11 |
| High Yield Acc | 48.53 | 51.91 | +0.27 | 5.57 |
| -do- Inc | 38.57 | 38.05 | +0.19 | 5.57 |
| Smlr Cos Acc | 73.75 | 78.88 | +0.69 | 2.61 |
| -do- Inc | 68.21 | 72.95 | +0.63 | 2.61 |
| Amer Gth Acc | 53.56 | 57.28 | -0.66 | 0.16 |
| -do- Inc | 52.56 | 56.21 | -0.65 | 0.16 |
| Euro Gth Acc | 89.22 | 95.42 | +0.63 | 2.09 |
| -do- Inc | 88.39 | 94.54 | +0.62 | 2.09 |
| Mngd P folio | 31.36 | 33.54 | +0.31 | ... |
| Pacific Growth | 80.78 | 86.40 | +1.59 | 1.48 |
| Intl Spec Opps | 75.85 | 81.12 | +1.39 | 1.83 |

**BROWN SHIPLEY**
9/17 Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath. 0444 458144

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Financial | 102.50 | 109.20 | ... | 4.07 |
| Smaller Cos Acc | 216.00 | 230.00 | +1.10 | ... |
| Smaller Cos Inc | 126.50 | 134.70 | +0.70 | 1.71 |
| High Inc | 67.28 | 71.65 | -0.14 | 6.56 |
| Income | 114.40 | 121.80 | -0.20 | 4.76 |
| Mngd P folio Inc | 83.42 | 88.84 | +0.37 | 2.34 |
| -do- Acc | 156.20 | 166.40 | +0.80 | ... |
| North American | 103.80 | 110.50 | -1.20 | 0.20 |
| Orient | 94.26 | 101.50 | -0.30 | ... |
| Recovery | 31.13 | 33.99 | +0.53 | 3.54 |
| German | 37.36 | 40.06 | -0.14 | 0.10 |
| Intl Recov | 31.17 | 33.20 | +0.21 | 0.24 |
| European Inc | 20.86 | 22.40 | -0.07 | 0.50 |
| Conv General | 17.44 | 18.78 | ... | 8.22 |

**BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT**
Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London EC3A 7JJ. 071 247 4542. Dealing: 071 247 7474

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Fellowship Tst | 58.43 | 62.16 | -0.35 | 1.61 |
| -do- Acc | 65.15 | 69.31 | +0.39 | 1.61 |
| Income Fund 5 | 199.00 | 211.80 | +1.00 | 4.35 |
| -do- Acc | 452.70 | 481.60 | +2.40 | 4.35 |
| Inv Portfolio | 64.45 | 66.79 | +0.25 | 2.43 |
| -do- Acc | 72.20 | 74.82 | +0.29 | 2.43 |
| Smaller Cos | 102.10 | 108.70 | +1.10 | 2.53 |
| -do- Acc | 122.70 | 130.60 | +1.40 | 2.53 |
| High Inc P folio | 55.85 | 57.88 | +0.70 | 5.06 |

**BURRAGE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD**
117 Fenchurch St, London EC3M 5AL. 071 488 7216

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sml Gilt Fxd Int | 67.92 | 68.83 | -0.01 | 6.05 |

**CIS UNIT MANAGERS LTD**
PO Box 105, Manchester M60 8AH. 061 837 5060

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Environ | 126.50 | 134.60 | +0.30 | 1.77 |
| UK Growth | 139.40 | 148.30 | -0.20 | 2.50 |
| UK Income | 115.70 | 123.10 | +0.10 | 4.71 |

**CANNON FUND MANAGERS**
1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NR. 081 902 8876

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| SE Asia | 72.93 | 78.00 | -0.04 | 1.06 |
| Growth | 43.02 | 46.26 | -0.24 | 3.28 |
| Income | 48.78 | 52.45 | -0.69 | 5.36 |
| Far East | 38.94 | 41.65 | -0.14 | 0.36 |
| North American | 81.79 | 87.48 | -0.99 | 0.01 |
| Global | 78.25 | 83.73 | -0.20 | 1.14 |
| European | 60.72 | 64.94 | -0.88 | 1.22 |
| Japan | 82.77 | 88.52 | ... | 0.01 |
| Intl Currency Bd | 55.56 | 58.89 | +0.19 | 7.55 |
| UK Cap Gwth | 73.91 | 79.47 | +0.65 | 2.66 |

**CAPEL-CURE MYERS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD**
35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF. Enquiries: 061 236 5685. Dealing: 061 236 5362

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Capability Trusts | | | | |
| American Gen | 127.70 | 135.90 | +1.00 | 0.11 |
| -do- Acc | 135.80 | 144.50 | +1.10 | 0.11 |
| European | 61.95 | 65.98 | -0.32 | 1.08 |
| -do- Acc | 64.21 | 67.97 | -0.34 | 1.08 |
| Far East Gen | 46.31 | 49.27 | +0.21 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 46.31 | 49.27 | +0.22 | ... |
| Glenfriars | 220.30 | 234.40 | -5.30 | 1.62 |
| -do- Acc | 247.50 | 263.30 | -6.00 | 1.62 |
| Growth | 301.30 | 320.50 | +1.70 | 2.62 |
| -do- Acc | 614.40 | 657.20 | -2.80 | 2.62 |
| Income Growth | 355.10 | 377.80 | +1.80 | 4.17 |
| -do- Acc | 464.60 | 494.30 | +2.30 | 4.17 |
| Master Portfolio | 9101.0 | 9407.0 | ... | 3.09 |
| -do- Acc | 10499.0 | 10853.0 | +3.00 | 3.08 |
| Special Sits | 81.66 | 86.88 | +0.30 | 2.61 |
| -do- Acc | 95.57 | 101.68 | -0.42 | 2.61 |
| Exempt Fund | | | | |
| High Yield | 1129.0 | 1164.0 | +6.00 | 4.83 |
| -do- Acc | 1307.0 | 1348.0 | +7.00 | 4.83 |

**CAPEL (JAMES) UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD**
7 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4HU. 071 955 5050. Dealing: 071 955 5055

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American Index | 188.90 | 201.10 | -0.30 | 1.54 |
| Capital | 513.30 | 547.80 | +3.30 | 2.57 |
| Eurotrack 100 | 121.90 | 129.50 | -0.60 | 1.80 |
| Euro Gth | 72.41 | 77.15 | -0.20 | 2.03 |
| Far East Growth | 73.83 | 78.79 | +0.37 | 0.54 |
| Global Bond | 21.90 | 23.07 | -0.69 | 6.89 |
| Hong Kong | 62.32 | 66.31 | -0.32 | 0.75 |
| Income | 474.30 | 506.10 | +4.10 | 4.93 |
| Intl Growth | 66.82 | 71.31 | +0.30 | 1.21 |
| Japan Growth | 192.50 | 205.40 | +1.20 | ... |
| Japan Smllr Cos | 24.74 | 26.40 | +0.03 | ... |
| Japan Index | 58.48 | 62.41 | +0.48 | 0.90 |
| Nth American | 411.90 | 439.50 | +3.60 | 1.02 |
| S pore Mly Gth | 46.91 | 50.06 | +0.02 | ... |
| The Fontaine Fd | 105.60 | 111.50 | +0.70 | 2.56 |
| Tiger Index | 125.10 | 133.50 | -0.10 | 1.06 |
| Trkle Index | 92.76 | 98.99 | +0.98 | 3.24 |
| UK Index | 118.40 | 126.30 | -0.80 | 3.41 |

**CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD**
16 Tokenhouse Yard, London EC2R 7AN. 071 606 0708

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American P folio | 79.83 | 85.25 | +0.50 | 1.00 |
| European P folio | 65.05 | 69.22 | -0.27 | 1.38 |
| Japanese P folio | 46.44 | 49.34 | +0.18 | ... |
| Pacific P folio | 80.46 | 86.52 | -0.22 | 2.40 |
| Cazenove P folio | 65.03 | 69.58 | -0.53 | 3.00 |
| UK Income Gth | 59.08 | 63.36 | -0.49 | 5.00 |

**CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND**
2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ. 071 588 1815

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Investment Fd | 559.95 | 565.60 | ... | 5.27 |
| Fixed Int | 149.10 | 149.85 | ... | 9.68 |
| Deposit | 7.15 | ... | ... | ... |

**CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND**
2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ. 071 588 1815

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Income | 558.07 | 559.52 | ... | 5.31 |
| -do- Acc | 2130.3 | 2145.0 | ... | ... |
| Deposit | 7.00 | ... | ... | ... |
| Fxd Int Inc | 121.35 | 121.59 | ... | 9.54 |
| -do- Acc | 154.97 | 155.10 | ... | ... |

**CITY FINANCIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD**
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge, SE1. 071 407 5966

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cty Fin Assets | 60.43 | 63.61 | -0.16 | 2.23 |
| Beckman Intl | 75.70 | 79.91 | +0.60 | 5.00 |
| Friars Hse Inc | 169.58 | 181.45 | +1.87 | 6.79 |
| Friars Hse Cap | 246.31 | 263.55 | +4.96 | 2.82 |

**COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS**
Exchange Court, 3 Bedford Park, Croydon CR9 2AQ. Enquiries: 081 681 2222. Dealing: 081 686 9818

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American Gth | 105.77 | 112.52 | -0.80 | 0.18 |
| European Gth | 84.05 | 89.41 | -0.19 | 1.70 |
| Far East Gth | 86.42 | 91.94 | +0.18 | 0.17 |
| Japan Gth Acc | 32.01 | 34.05 | -0.01 | ... |
| Managed | 58.99 | 62.76 | -0.03 | 3.16 |
| -do- Acc | 71.25 | 75.80 | -0.03 | 3.16 |
| Mthly Inc Plus | 44.68 | 47.53 | +0.12 | 8.97 |
| Smaller Cos | 29.62 | 31.51 | -0.39 | 2.65 |
| -do- Acc | 32.59 | 34.67 | -0.44 | 2.65 |
| UK General | 67.36 | 71.66 | -0.32 | 3.01 |
| -do- Acc | 80.80 | 85.96 | -0.38 | 3.01 |
| Wwide Bd | 60.76 | 64.64 | +0.07 | 6.04 |
| -do- Acc | 76.14 | 81.00 | +0.09 | 6.04 |
| Wwide Sp Sits | 49.10 | 52.51 | +0.14 | 0.28 |
| -do- Acc | 51.04 | 54.59 | +0.14 | 0.28 |
| Quilter General | 118.21 | 125.76 | +0.34 | 2.50 |
| -do- Acc | 130.11 | 138.41 | +0.37 | 2.50 |
| Quilter Income | 84.60 | 90.00 | +0.72 | 4.18 |
| -do- Acc | 104.25 | 110.90 | +0.89 | 4.18 |
| Quilter Intl | 116.70 | 124.15 | +0.40 | 0.52 |
| -do- Acc | 118.31 | 125.86 | +0.40 | 0.52 |
| Quilter UK Spec | 65.32 | 69.49 | +0.14 | 3.24 |
| -do- Acc | 86.42 | 91.94 | +0.19 | 3.24 |
| CU Prestige Fund Management | | | | |
| Fin Property | 90.69 | 96.48 | +0.62 | 2.31 |
| Fixed Conv | 38.34 | 40.79 | +0.33 | 7.99 |
| -do- Acc | 98.33 | 104.61 | +0.85 | 7.99 |
| Equity Inc | 137.36 | 146.13 | +0.52 | 4.36 |
| -do- Acc | 433.64 | 461.32 | +1.65 | 4.36 |
| High Yield | 110.06 | 117.09 | -0.73 | 5.43 |
| -do- Acc | 412.25 | 438.56 | -2.75 | 5.43 |
| Preference | 45.07 | 47.95 | -0.78 | 8.40 |
| -do- Acc | 228.01 | 242.59 | -0.22 | 8.40 |
| PPT Europe | 134.24 | 142.81 | -0.29 | 0.87 |
| PPT Global Bnd | 78.44 | 83.45 | -0.04 | 4.34 |
| PPT Gold Com | 43.98 | 46.79 | +1.53 | ... |
| PPT Thai | 52.86 | 56.23 | +0.33 | ... |
| PPT Hong Kong | 84.40 | 89.79 | -0.60 | ... |
| PPT Japan | 88.24 | 93.87 | +0.41 | ... |
| PPT N Amer | 143.74 | 152.91 | +1.18 | ... |
| PPT S'pore Mly | 95.22 | 101.30 | +0.23 | ... |
| PPT UK | 114.34 | 121.65 | +0.17 | 1.53 |
| PPT Cash | 90.49 | 90.49 | +0.03 | 5.61 |

**EAGLE STAR UNIT MANAGERS**
Bath Road, Cheltenham GL53 7LQ. 0242 577 555

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Oriental Op Acc | 64.92 | 69.06 | +0.25 | 1.15 |
| Japanese Acc | 45.30 | 48.19 | +0.26 | ... |
| UK Balncd Inc | 119.40 | 127.00 | ... | 2.52 |
| -do- Acc | 139.30 | 148.20 | ... | 2.52 |
| UK Growth Acc | 197.10 | 209.70 | ... | 2.30 |
| UK High Inc | 124.80 | 132.80 | ... | 7.36 |
| -do- Acc | 147.30 | 156.70 | -0.10 | 7.36 |
| N America Acc | 109.70 | 116.70 | +1.20 | 0.33 |
| European Acc | 137.50 | 146.10 | +0.40 | 0.48 |
| UK Pref F/I Inc | 59.12 | 62.74 | -0.12 | 9.79 |
| -do- Acc | 94.14 | 99.97 | -0.19 | 9.79 |
| Intl Sp Sits Acc | 42.47 | 45.18 | -0.33 | 0.25 |
| Environmntl Opp | 68.85 | 73.24 | -0.05 | 1.51 |

**EDINBURGH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS**
Donaldson House, 97 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh EH12 5HD. 031 313 1000

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American | 104.60 | 111.10 | +0.60 | ... |
| UK Smlr Cos | 162.10 | 172.20 | +2.20 | 1.45 |
| Eurofund | 34.51 | 36.47 | -0.48 | 1.10 |
| Mngd Exempt | 157.80 | 164.50 | -0.50 | 3.19 |
| Growth Inc | 208.60 | 221.90 | -0.30 | 4.06 |
| High Dist | 130.50 | 138.70 | +0.40 | 6.24 |
| International | 300.30 | 319.10 | -0.10 | 1.02 |
| Intl Income | 73.38 | 78.33 | +0.02 | 3.32 |
| Pacific | 49.80 | 52.91 | -0.80 | 0.57 |
| Smllr Jap Cos | 51.70 | 54.93 | -0.08 | ... |
| Tokyo | 153.10 | 162.80 | +0.60 | ... |
| Japan Exempt | 87.73 | 90.14 | -0.58 | 0.55 |
| Sm Jap Exempt | 427.60 | 439.30 | -2.90 | 0.11 |

**ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT**
41 Harrington Gardens, London SW7 4JU. 071 373 7281

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Endurance | 158.40 | 166.50 | ... | 1.26 |

**EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD**
Walton St, Aylesbury, Bucks, HP21 7QW. 0296 431480

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pelican | 102.02 | 107.59 | +1.25 | 3.86 |
| High Income | 112.03 | 117.93 | +1.30 | 5.35 |
| Tst of Inv Tsts | 126.31 | 132.96 | +0.73 | 2.03 |
| Special Sits | 76.99 | 81.04 | +1.63 | 3.73 |
| North American | 103.15 | 108.58 | +0.37 | 1.02 |
| Far Eastern | 191.05 | 201.11 | +1.04 | 1.80 |
| Intl Growth | 84.17 | 88.60 | +0.93 | 1.58 |
| European | 57.87 | 60.92 | -0.10 | 2.23 |
| Smaller Cos | 61.26 | 64.48 | +0.90 | 2.76 |

**FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD**
Oakhill House, 130 Tonbridge Rd, Tonbridge TN11 9DZ. 0800 414161

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| America | 210.40 | 222.10 | +1.70 | ... |
| Cash Unit Tst | 100.00 | 100.00 | ... | 6.60 |
| European Tst | 97.80 | 104.00 | -0.70 | ... |

**FOREIGN & COLONIAL**
8th Floor, Exchange Hse, Primrose St, London EC2A 2NY. 071 628 8000

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| European | 83.11 | 88.06 | -1.05 | 0.91 |
| Far Eastern | 107.00 | 115.00 | +0.30 | ... |
| Oseas Income | 80.71 | 86.46 | +0.11 | 3.13 |
| UK Growth | 87.66 | 93.75 | -0.64 | 0.14 |
| UK Income | 95.08 | 101.70 | +0.60 | 4.36 |
| US Smaller Cos | 209.70 | 224.30 | +3.20 | ... |

**FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT**
155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3FT. 071 374 4100

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Am Smllr Co | 420.50 | 449.80 | +9.00 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 429.60 | 459.40 | +10.30 | ... |
| Capital | 257.50 | 273.00 | +1.20 | 2.60 |
| -do- Acc | 355.50 | 378.10 | +1.60 | 2.60 |
| Contl Smllr Cos | 41.08 | 44.30 | -0.25 | 1.53 |
| -do- Acc | 42.46 | 45.84 | -0.25 | 1.53 |
| Convertible | 102.50 | 108.90 | +0.40 | 6.86 |
| -do- Acc | 188.80 | 200.80 | +0.90 | 6.86 |
| European | 88.01 | 94.28 | -0.37 | 1.11 |
| -do- Acc | 90.95 | 97.43 | -0.39 | 1.11 |
| Extra Income | 261.40 | 278.00 | +2.00 | 4.97 |
| -do- Acc | 360.20 | 383.10 | +2.90 | 4.97 |
| Financial | 91.73 | 97.57 | +0.62 | 0.91 |
| -do- Acc | 95.46 | 101.50 | +1.00 | 0.91 |
| Health Fund Inc | 131.40 | 140.30 | +2.30 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 131.40 | 140.30 | +2.30 | ... |
| Income Tst | 163.90 | 174.30 | +1.10 | 4.55 |
| -do- Acc | 228.40 | 242.90 | +1.40 | 4.55 |
| Intl Growth | 294.40 | 314.30 | +2.70 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 326.50 | 349.00 | +3.00 | ... |
| Japan Gen | 124.40 | 133.30 | ... | ... |
| -do- Acc | 125.60 | 134.60 | -0.10 | ... |
| Mngd P folio Inc | 84.09 | 88.51 | +0.36 | 1.95 |
| -do- Acc | 86.83 | 91.39 | +0.36 | 1.95 |
| Monthly Income | 129.80 | 138.00 | +0.70 | 5.16 |
| Recovery | 263.80 | 281.30 | +3.00 | 0.82 |
| -do- Acc | 307.00 | 328.30 | +3.60 | 0.82 |
| Gilt Gth Tst | 59.99 | 61.86 | -0.29 | 7.45 |
| -do- Acc | 75.32 | 77.66 | -0.36 | 7.45 |

**FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS**
Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts. SP1 3SH. Dealing: 0722 411411. Administration: 0722 411622

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Equity Dist | 336.60 | 358.09 | -0.09 | 2.90 |
| -do- Acc | 679.63 | 723.01 | -0.19 | 2.90 |
| Euro Gth Dist | 94.86 | 100.92 | -0.39 | 1.19 |
| -do- Acc | 97.69 | 103.93 | -0.40 | 1.19 |
| Fixed Int Dist | 126.65 | 133.99 | -0.13 | 6.90 |
| -do- Acc | 210.66 | 222.83 | -0.21 | 6.90 |
| Intl Gth Dist | 68.32 | 72.68 | +0.11 | 0.82 |
| -do- Acc | 70.67 | 75.18 | +0.11 | 0.82 |
| Nth Amer Dist | 160.38 | 170.47 | +1.30 | 1.16 |
| -do- Acc | 173.79 | 184.73 | +1.40 | 1.16 |
| Pac Basin Dist | 195.74 | 208.23 | +0.72 | 0.43 |
| -do- Acc | 198.85 | 211.54 | +0.74 | 0.43 |
| Stewardship Dist | 269.26 | 286.45 | +0.66 | 1.92 |
| -do- Acc | 318.56 | 338.89 | +0.77 | 1.92 |
| Stwd Inc Dist | 54.61 | 58.10 | +0.33 | 4.27 |
| -do- Acc | 66.60 | 70.85 | +0.40 | 4.27 |
| N Am Stwd Dist | 89.26 | 94.96 | +1.23 | 0.05 |
| -do- Acc | 94.48 | 100.51 | +1.20 | 0.05 |

**GT UNIT MANAGERS**
8th Floor, 8 Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ. 071 283 2575. Dealing: 071 626 9431

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Am Sp Sits | 138.00 | 147.60 | +3.30 | ... |
| European | 362.40 | 385.00 | -2.50 | 1.00 |
| Far East General | 178.10 | 190.10 | +0.30 | 0.35 |
| Germany | 87.48 | 92.63 | -0.63 | 0.43 |
| Global Assets In | 61.15 | 65.40 | -0.07 | 2.37 |
| Global Assets Ac | 64.07 | 68.53 | -0.07 | 2.33 |
| Income | 98.55 | 105.40 | -0.40 | 7.94 |
| International | 228.10 | 244.00 | +0.70 | 1.06 |
| Intl Income | 69.72 | 74.22 | +0.09 | 4.86 |
| Japan General | 281.70 | 298.30 | +1.00 | ... |
| Smlr Cos Div | 40.66 | 43.49 | -0.55 | 6.93 |
| UK Capital Inc | 142.30 | 152.30 | ... | 4.55 |
| -do- Acc | 241.30 | 258.10 | ... | 4.48 |
| UK Spec Sits | 62.14 | 66.46 | +0.29 | 1.50 |
| US General | 103.50 | 110.30 | +0.70 | 0.12 |
| W'wide Spec Sits | 105.80 | 113.20 | +0.40 | 0.11 |

**GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS**
Gartmore House, 16/18 Monument Street, London EC3R 8AJ. 071 623 1212. Dealing: 0277 264421. Services: 0800 289 336

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| UK Growth Funds | | | | |
| British Growth | 42.41 | 45.36 | +0.04 | 1.21 |
| Cash Trust | 126.66 | 126.66 | +0.07 | 6.04 |
| Pract Inv Inc | 95.52 | 102.43 | -0.14 | 4.37 |
| -do- Acc | 203.94 | 218.70 | -0.30 | 4.37 |
| UK Smaller Cos | 86.80 | 93.08 | +1.01 | 2.14 |
| Income Funds | | | | |
| Preference Share | 23.53 | 25.17 | -0.32 | 8.90 |
| High Inc | 29.06 | 31.08 | +0.17 | 5.82 |
| UK Equity Inc | 121.04 | 129.45 | -0.32 | 4.66 |
| Intl Fxd Int | 28.26 | 29.28 | +0.18 | 5.84 |
| International Funds | | | | |
| Gold Intl | 58.44 | 62.67 | +0.92 | 1.85 |
| Frontier Markets | 37.04 | 39.72 | -0.41 | 0.58 |
| Global Inc Gth | 111.96 | 119.57 | +0.40 | 2.97 |
| UK Intl | 101.16 | 108.19 | -0.78 | 1.43 |
| Overseas Funds | | | | |
| American | 122.30 | 130.57 | +1.34 | 0.52 |
| European | 74.65 | 79.41 | -0.11 | 0.88 |
| Euro Sel Opps | 85.37 | 90.80 | +0.24 | 1.39 |
| American Emerg | 70.07 | 75.14 | +1.30 | ... |
| Hong Kong | 90.36 | 96.90 | +0.05 | 2.40 |
| Japan | 154.25 | 164.30 | +1.48 | ... |
| Pacific Growth | 125.17 | 134.23 | +0.92 | 0.66 |

**GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT**
Shackleton House, 4 Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HR. 071 378 7979. Dealing: 071 588 8526

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Intl Growth | 110.88 | 118.59 | -0.03 | 0.95 |
| American Gth | 115.69 | 123.73 | -1.34 | 0.35 |
| European Gth | 61.72 | 66.01 | -0.56 | 0.82 |
| German Horizn | 42.86 | 45.73 | -0.29 | 0.92 |
| Japan Gth | 59.46 | 63.59 | +0.04 | ... |
| Pacific Inc | 111.95 | 119.73 | -2.03 | 3.22 |
| Pacific Strategy | 90.96 | 97.29 | +0.22 | ... |
| UK Prog Inc | 68.51 | 73.27 | -0.53 | 6.11 |
| Gt British Cos | 45.81 | 49.00 | -0.43 | 2.00 |
| UK Small Cos | 39.16 | 41.88 | +0.29 | 2.60 |

**GRE UNIT MANAGERS**
36 Harbour Exchange Sq, London E14 9GE. 071 538 9668

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cash | 129.30 | 129.30 | ... | 6.82 |
| Gilt Fixed | 117.30 | 124.40 | -0.50 | 6.63 |
| Growth Equity | 277.20 | 296.10 | +0.70 | 2.51 |
| Guardhill | 406.40 | 434.10 | +1.40 | 2.47 |
| Income Trust | 97.82 | 104.50 | +0.10 | 4.87 |
| International | 140.40 | 149.90 | +0.90 | 0.17 |
| Japan Trust | 97.44 | 104.10 | +0.90 | ... |
| Managed | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Nth American | 279.90 | 296.20 | +2.60 | 0.40 |
| Pacific | 302.90 | 328.00 | +2.90 | ... |
| Prop Shares | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Small Cos | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| European | 304.20 | 325.00 | -1.30 | 0.55 |

**HALIFAX STANDARD TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD**
PO Box 400, Edinburgh EH15 1EW. 0800 838868

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Global Adv Inc | 33.07 | 35.06 | ... | 1.73 |
| -do- Acc | 34.48 | 36.55 | ... | 1.73 |
| Inc Adv Inc | 27.78 | 29.45 | ... | 4.19 |
| -do- Acc | 28.65 | 30.37 | ... | 4.19 |

**HAMBROS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS**
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex. Enquiries: 0277 227300. Dealing: 0277 690390

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Canadian | 59.09 | 63.30 | -0.68 | 0.54 |
| Equity Income | 104.00 | 110.60 | +0.30 | 4.25 |
| European | 125.10 | 132.30 | +0.10 | 1.56 |
| Intl Situation | 68.11 | 72.46 | -0.19 | ... |
| Japanese | 105.30 | 112.10 | ... | ... |
| North American | 100.10 | 106.20 | +0.00 | 0.19 |
| Scandinavian | 97.46 | 103.10 | ... | 0.60 |
| Smaller Cos | 27.50 | 29.25 | +0.07 | 2.84 |

**HENDERSON**
PO Box 2003, Brentwood, Essex CM13 1XT. Enquiries: 0277 227300. Dealing: 0277 234772

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amer Smaller | 88.82 | 94.99 | +1.36 | ... |
| Asian Enterprise | 102.95 | 110.32 | -0.15 | 1.54 |
| Australian | 120.59 | 128.90 | +1.31 | 1.36 |
| European | 324.85 | 344.21 | -1.25 | 1.31 |
| European Inc | 62.96 | 66.61 | -0.22 | 3.08 |
| Euro Sml Co | 105.34 | 113.23 | -0.44 | 1.40 |
| Extra Income | 237.71 | 253.06 | -0.49 | 5.86 |
| Family of Funds | 63.71 | 68.01 | -0.08 | 1.94 |
| Fixed Interest | 52.80 | 56.46 | -0.03 | 8.96 |
| Global Resour | 70.97 | 76.17 | +0.71 | 1.72 |
| High Inc | 255.80 | 273.44 | +1.75 | 4.90 |
| Income Gth | 217.22 | 231.37 | +1.14 | 4.24 |
| -do- Acc | 546.83 | 582.15 | +2.67 | 4.24 |
| International | 208.43 | 221.83 | +0.54 | 0.89 |
| Japan Spc Sit | 174.35 | 183.43 | -1.12 | ... |
| Japan | 149.73 | 159.16 | +0.46 | ... |
| N Amer | 224.27 | 239.00 | +0.62 | 0.15 |
| Pacific Smllr Cos | 138.83 | 149.05 | +0.77 | 1.58 |
| Pref Gilt | 44.59 | 46.46 | +0.02 | 9.99 |
| Smaller Cos Div | 139.40 | 151.94 | +1.07 | 3.41 |
| Special Sits | 229.83 | 245.91 | +1.61 | 1.76 |
| -do- Acc | 351.99 | 376.62 | +2.47 | 1.76 |
| Best of British | 52.94 | 56.83 | +0.24 | 2.50 |
| Spirit of the East | 47.88 | 51.19 | +0.14 | 0.77 |

**HILL SAMUEL UT MANAGERS**
NLA Tower Addiscombe Road, Croydon. 081 686 4355

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| British | 85.08 | 90.99 | -0.39 | 2.68 |
| Capital | 146.40 | 156.80 | -0.80 | 2.51 |
| Dollar | 298.20 | 313.50 | +1.90 | 0.28 |
| European | 172.50 | 184.80 | -1.60 | 0.82 |
| Far East | 200.60 | 214.50 | -2.30 | 0.86 |
| Financial | 582.80 | 623.30 | -6.70 | 2.95 |
| Gilt Fxd Int Inc | 26.36 | 28.34 | +0.04 | 8.80 |
| High Yield | 88.93 | 95.11 | -1.04 | 5.77 |
| Income | 124.50 | 133.10 | +0.60 | 4.11 |
| Intl | 194.00 | 207.40 | ... | 0.51 |
| Japan Tech | 52.16 | 55.78 | +0.05 | ... |
| Nat Resources | 50.28 | 53.77 | -0.56 | 0.61 |
| Security | 280.50 | 299.90 | +1.00 | 2.58 |
| Smaller Cos | 92.86 | 99.31 | -1.59 | 2.14 |
| Special Sits | 121.40 | 129.80 | -1.40 | 2.78 |
| US Smaller Cos | 70.57 | 75.47 | +1.32 | ... |

**IBI FUND MANAGERS**
36 Queen St, London, EC4R 1BN. 071 489 8673

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Brit O seas | 230.90 | 242.80 | -1.30 | 1.48 |
| Capital Gwth | 100.80 | 106.10 | ... | 2.54 |
| Inv Trusts | 113.10 | 119.10 | ... | 0.80 |

**INVESCO MIM UT MANAGERS**
11 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4YR. 071 626 3434. Dealing: 0800 010733

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| UK Specialist Trusts | | | | |
| Smaller Cos | 19.55 | 20.90 | +0.24 | 2.91 |
| Special Features | 25.23 | 26.80 | +0.10 | 1.83 |
| -do- Acc | 29.59 | 31.43 | +0.11 | 1.83 |
| General Funds | | | | |
| UK Growth | 50.17 | 53.74 | +0.27 | 2.39 |
| Assets Earnings | 69.04 | 73.35 | +0.19 | 2.12 |
| do Acc | 80.47 | 85.49 | +0.22 | 2.12 |
| Managed Invest | 76.33 | 81.60 | +0.04 | 1.37 |
| Rupert Children | 74.14 | 79.18 | +0.18 | 1.81 |
| High Income Funds | | | | |
| Cashbox | 51.26 | 51.26 | +0.02 | 5.89 |
| Extra Inc | 72.71 | 78.45 | +0.68 | 5.43 |
| Gilt | 26.83 | 28.25 | -0.06 | 7.37 |
| Income Gth | 36.02 | 38.57 | +0.22 | 3.86 |
| Midwater | 74.44 | 79.36 | +0.10 | 8.65 |
| Preference | 16.99 | 18.66 | +0.08 | 7.32 |
| UK Income | 286.50 | 306.50 | +0.40 | 3.68 |
| Sector Specialist Funds | | | | |
| Fincl Sec | 47.86 | 50.85 | +0.29 | 2.35 |
| Property Shares | 51.12 | 54.31 | -0.12 | 2.52 |
| Exempt Funds | | | | |
| Exempt | 131.20 | 138.00 | +0.40 | 3.87 |
| European Acc | 101.00 | 106.80 | -0.20 | 2.34 |
| European Dist | 96.08 | 101.70 | -0.20 | 2.34 |
| Overseas Growth Funds | | | | |
| American Gth | 47.40 | 50.45 | +0.14 | 1.10 |
| European Perf | 94.16 | 99.77 | +0.20 | 1.50 |
| -do- Acc | 95.92 | 101.60 | +0.20 | 1.50 |
| Euro Small Cos | 17.29 | 18.46 | -0.02 | 1.18 |
| French Growth | 60.49 | 64.18 | -0.45 | 0.93 |
| -do- Acc | 63.95 | 67.86 | -0.47 | 0.93 |
| Hong K/China | 53.73 | 57.56 | -0.86 | 1.37 |
| Intl Growth | 45.73 | 48.58 | -0.07 | 1.09 |
| -do- Acc | 45.73 | 48.58 | -0.07 | 1.09 |
| Japan Perf | 24.49 | 26.01 | -0.07 | ... |
| Accum Units | 24.49 | 26.01 | -0.07 | ... |
| Japan Smllr Cos | 26.10 | 27.69 | -0.13 | ... |
| Singapore Acc | 61.80 | 68.05 | -0.22 | 0.73 |
| -do- Acc | 63.19 | 68.47 | -0.22 | 0.73 |
| South East Asia | 184.60 | 199.30 | -0.20 | 0.94 |
| US Smllr Cos | 106.60 | 113.20 | +1.30 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 107.80 | 114.50 | +1.40 | ... |
| Overseas Income Funds | | | | |
| Global Inc | 74.82 | 79.74 | +0.22 | 3.24 |
| Intl Bond | 55.03 | 55.74 | +0.09 | 6.63 |

**KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT TRUST LTD**
10 Fenchurch Street, London EC3. 071 956 6600. Dealing: 071 956 7354

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Income Trusts | | | | |
| Cash Acc | 68.26 | 68.60 | +0.03 | 6.35 |
| Extra Income | 47.73 | 50.78 | -0.25 | 7.58 |
| Gilt Yield | 115.90 | 122.20 | -0.40 | 8.35 |
| Global Income | 175.60 | 186.80 | -1.59 | 4.98 |
| High Yield | 121.50 | 129.70 | ... | 6.73 |
| Smllr Cos Div | 36.99 | 39.35 | -1.67 | 7.01 |
| Capital Growth Trusts | | | | |
| Amer Smllr Cos | 88.70 | 94.36 | +1.40 | ... |
| North American | 73.50 | 78.19 | +0.06 | 0.24 |
| European | 118.00 | 125.50 | -1.50 | 0.95 |
| Euro Special | 70.75 | 75.27 | -1.13 | 1.10 |
| General | 260.80 | 277.40 | -0.60 | 3.47 |
| Japan | 299.10 | 318.20 | -0.80 | ... |
| Japanese Special | 158.90 | 169.00 | -0.20 | ... |
| Master Acc | 202.60 | 215.70 | +1.10 | 1.53 |
| Pacific | 215.60 | 229.40 | -1.70 | 0.41 |
| Smaller Cos | 81.54 | 86.74 | -1.92 | 2.66 |
| UK Equity Gth | 31.26 | 33.79 | -0.12 | 2.93 |

**LAS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS**
113 Dundas St, Edinburgh EH3 5EB. 031 550 5151

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| European | 66.11 | 70.33 | ... | 0.99 |
| Extra Income | 23.41 | 24.90 | ... | 3.52 |
| Far East | 21.19 | 22.54 | ... | 1.02 |
| Income Gwth | 70.29 | 74.78 | ... | 2.85 |
| Intl Growth | 46.56 | 49.53 | ... | 1.13 |
| Japan | 48.14 | 51.21 | ... | ... |
| Maximum Dist | 100.70 | 102.70 | ... | 8.33 |
| N Amer Equity | 38.72 | 41.19 | ... | 0.53 |
| UK Equity | 81.73 | 86.95 | ... | 3.08 |

**LAURENCE KEEN UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT**
1 White Hart Yard, London SE1. 071 407 5966

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Income Gth Inc | 50.46 | 53.68 | +1.04 | 4.96 |

**LEGAL & GENERAL UT MANAGERS**
5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood Essex. Enq 0277 227300. Dealing 0277 690895

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Equity Dist | 407.80 | 433.80 | +1.90 | 3.04 |
| Equity Acc | 787.80 | 838.80 | +3.50 | 3.04 |
| Equity Income | 86.69 | 92.22 | +0.73 | 4.73 |
| European | 86.41 | 91.98 | -0.94 | 1.91 |
| Far Eastern | 145.70 | 155.00 | -0.20 | 0.36 |
| Fixed Interest | 48.22 | 51.30 | -0.37 | 8.81 |
| Gilt | 88.25 | 93.58 | -0.50 | 6.68 |
| Global Growth | 57.47 | 61.14 | -0.07 | 1.10 |
| Intl Bond | 53.82 | 57.26 | +0.01 | 5.47 |
| Japanese | 51.70 | 55.00 | -0.14 | ... |
| Overseas Equity | 84.47 | 89.86 | -0.37 | 0.66 |
| Pacific Gth | 70.92 | 75.45 | -0.38 | 1.38 |
| North American | 132.30 | 140.70 | -0.70 | 1.32 |
| UK Recovery | 69.71 | 74.16 | +0.51 | 3.21 |
| UK Smllr Cos | 90.42 | 96.19 | +0.52 | 2.56 |
| Worldwide | 69.28 | 73.70 | +0.17 | 2.09 |

**LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD**
Mountbatten Hse, Chatham, Kent ME4 4JF. 0634 834313

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Balanced | 302.70 | 323.30 | +0.10 | 3.08 |
| -do- Acc | 657.80 | 699.80 | +0.30 | 3.08 |
| Contl Euro Gth | 46.22 | 48.64 | -0.30 | 1.65 |
| -do- Acc | 48.98 | 51.46 | -0.31 | 1.65 |
| Extra Inc | 223.40 | 237.70 | +0.20 | 4.35 |
| -do- Acc | 543.40 | 578.10 | +0.60 | 4.35 |
| German Gth | 88.90 | 93.58 | -1.14 | 0.33 |
| -do- Acc | 93.25 | 98.14 | -1.19 | 0.33 |
| Income | 418.40 | 445.20 | +0.60 | 4.05 |
| -do- Acc | 1060.0 | 1128.0 | +1.00 | 4.05 |
| Japan Growth | 72.08 | 76.83 | +0.46 | 0.01 |
| -do- Acc | 72.28 | 76.80 | +0.46 | 0.01 |
| Master Trust | 48.59 | 51.70 | +0.21 | 1.24 |
| -do- Acc | 52.84 | 56.22 | +0.22 | 1.24 |
| N American Gen | 181.80 | 193.50 | +1.60 | 0.01 |
| -do- Acc | 210.00 | 223.50 | +2.30 | 0.01 |
| NAm Sm Co Rec | 131.20 | 139.60 | ... | 0.01 |
| -do- Acc | 133.90 | 142.50 | ... | 0.01 |
| Pacific Basin | 172.60 | 183.70 | +0.30 | 0.66 |
| -do- Acc | 181.70 | 193.30 | +0.40 | 0.66 |
| Small Cos Rec | 270.90 | 288.20 | +1.90 | 2.63 |
| -do- Acc | 349.50 | 371.90 | +2.40 | 2.63 |
| UK Growth | 75.45 | 80.27 | -0.67 | 2.37 |
| -do- Acc | 87.97 | 93.59 | +0.10 | 2.37 |
| Worldwide Gth | 252.60 | 268.80 | +1.00 | 0.38 |
| -do- Acc | 372.40 | 396.20 | +1.50 | 0.38 |

**LONDON & MANCHESTER**
Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS. 0392 282673

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| General | 74.49 | 79.92 | -0.02 | 3.10 |
| Income | 54.11 | 58.06 | +0.12 | 6.50 |
| International | 51.06 | 54.79 | +0.19 | 0.90 |
| American | 58.12 | 62.38 | +0.24 | 0.40 |
| Japan | 37.70 | 40.45 | +0.17 | ... |
| Tst of Inv Trusts | 48.09 | 51.60 | ... | 2.20 |

**M & G SECURITIES LTD**
Victoria Rd, Chelmsford CM1 1FB. Customer Services/Unit Dealing: 0245 390390

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American Gen | 378.20 | 399.70 | +1.80 | 0.79 |
| -do- Acc | 465.60 | 492.10 | +2.20 | 0.79 |
| American Rec | 360.40 | 381.10 | +1.80 | 0.85 |
| -do- Acc | 412.30 | 436.00 | +2.00 | 0.85 |
| Am Sm Co Acc | 115.20 | 121.90 | +2.20 | ... |
| Australia Acc | 124.80 | 131.90 | +1.60 | 1.91 |
| Capital | 554.30 | 586.20 | +2.00 | 3.66 |
| -do- Acc | 603.60 | 638.40 | +2.30 | 3.66 |
| Commodity Acc | 333.00 | 352.10 | +1.00 | 1.79 |
| Compnd Gth | 733.20 | 775.40 | +1.00 | 3.64 |
| Dividend | 30.40 | 32.50 | ... | 5.13 |
| -do- Acc | 118.40 | 126.60 | +0.10 | 5.13 |
| Equity Inc | 249.20 | 266.60 | +0.80 | 6.47 |
| European Div | 50.90 | 54.50 | -0.30 | 5.47 |
| -do- Acc | 56.90 | 60.90 | -0.30 | 5.47 |
| European Gen | 339.50 | 359.00 | -2.20 | 1.75 |
| -do- Acc | 424.30 | 448.60 | -2.60 | 1.75 |
| Extra Yield | 317.50 | 339.70 | +0.30 | 5.48 |
| -do- Acc | 912.50 | 976.30 | +1.00 | 5.48 |
| Far Eastern | 232.60 | 246.00 | -0.70 | 1.47 |
| -do- Acc | 305.10 | 322.70 | -0.80 | 1.47 |
| Fund of Inv | 437.20 | 462.30 | +0.30 | 2.78 |
| -do- Acc | 788.90 | 834.20 | +0.60 | 2.78 |
| General | 48.20 | 51.00 | -0.10 | 4.30 |
| -do- Acc | 127.00 | 134.40 | -0.10 | 4.30 |
| Gilt Fxd Int | 60.80 | 60.80 | ... | 9.18 |
| do Acc | 147.70 | 147.90 | -0.10 | 9.18 |
| Gold | 31.00 | 32.80 | +0.10 | 2.63 |
| -do- Acc | 36.30 | 38.40 | +0.20 | 2.63 |
| High Inc | 21.40 | 22.60 | ... | 5.70 |
| -do- Acc | 79.40 | 83.90 | -0.10 | 5.70 |
| Intl Growth | 62.10 | 66.00 | -0.10 | 1.04 |
| -do- Acc | 106.70 | 113.50 | +0.10 | 1.04 |
| Intl Inc | 78.80 | 83.90 | ... | 5.87 |
| Japan Gen Acc | 38.30 | 40.50 | +0.20 | ... |
| Japan Smllr Cos | 106.90 | 112.70 | +0.10 | ... |
| Midland | 43.20 | 45.70 | +0.10 | 5.38 |
| -do- Acc | 136.70 | 144.60 | -0.60 | 5.38 |
| Recovery | 30.70 | 32.80 | +0.10 | 3.91 |
| -do- Acc | 48.30 | 51.60 | +0.20 | 3.91 |
| Second Gen | 51.60 | 54.60 | ... | 4.50 |
| -do- Acc | 126.20 | 133.50 | -0.10 | 4.50 |
| Smaller Cos | 49.60 | 52.50 | +0.20 | 4.41 |
| -do- Acc | 92.40 | 97.80 | +0.40 | 4.41 |
| Trustee | 33.60 | 35.50 | ... | 4.74 |
| Charifund 3 | 3110.08 | ... | +0.10 | 8.70 |
| Charifund 2 | 532.00 | 567.70 | +0.20 | 5.69 |
| Pension ex 1 | 791.30 | 810.90 | +0.40 | 4.87 |
| NAACIF Inc 3 | 343.75 | ... | ... | 8.35 |
| -do- Acc 3 | 3100.2 | ... | ... | 8.35 |

**MARKS & SPENCER UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD**
PO Box 410, Chester X. CH99 9QG. 0244 680066

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Inv Port Inc | 124.50 | 133.20 | -1.55 | 2.77 |
| -do- Acc | 138.30 | 147.90 | -1.56 | 2.77 |
| UK Income | 102.80 | 110.00 | +0.36 | 3.37 |
| -do- Acc | 114.80 | 122.70 | +0.36 | 3.37 |

**MARTIN CURRIE UNIT TRUSTS LTD**
Saltire Court, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2ES. 031 229 5252

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Emerg Mkts | 67.09 | 71.75 | +0.06 | 0.89 |
| Far East (Pacific) | 109.20 | 115.90 | -0.10 | 0.50 |
| Income Growth | 67.40 | 71.54 | -0.11 | 3.86 |
| European | 59.32 | 62.87 | -0.31 | 1.55 |
| Nth American | 54.52 | 57.87 | +0.41 | 1.25 |
| UK Growth | 70.75 | 75.10 | +0.14 | 1.64 |
| Intl Growth | 79.63 | 84.53 | -0.10 | 0.65 |
| Charities | 101.00 | 107.20 | -0.10 | 4.67 |
| Intl Income | 58.96 | 62.58 | -0.06 | 5.16 |
| Japan | 38.71 | 41.09 | +0.10 | 0.14 |

**MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD**
33 King William St, EC4R 9AS. 071 280 2860

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American | 182.10 | 193.50 | +2.10 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 194.60 | 206.70 | +2.20 | ... |
| Cash | 101.30 | 101.30 | +0.10 | 6.93 |
| -do- Acc | 127.10 | 127.80 | ... | 6.93 |
| European Gth | 175.30 | 185.70 | -0.10 | 0.37 |
| -do- Acc | 187.70 | 198.80 | -0.10 | 0.37 |
| General | 440.50 | 469.50 | ... | 2.72 |
| -do- Acc | 826.00 | 881.10 | +0.10 | 2.72 |
| Global Dist | 125.90 | 132.30 | +0.60 | 5.59 |
| -do- Acc | 137.90 | 145.00 | +0.70 | 5.59 |
| Income | 129.00 | 137.60 | -0.20 | 5.29 |
| -do- Acc | 185.60 | 198.00 | -0.30 | 5.29 |
| International | 333.20 | 355.00 | +1.20 | 1.17 |
| -do- Acc | 442.40 | 471.20 | +1.50 | 1.17 |
| Japan | 140.90 | 149.30 | +0.80 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 144.30 | 153.30 | +0.90 | ... |
| New Europe | 120.10 | 128.20 | +0.30 | 1.56 |
| -do- Acc | 120.10 | 128.20 | +0.30 | 1.56 |
| Recovery | 259.80 | 277.20 | +0.60 | 3.45 |
| -do- Acc | 324.30 | 346.20 | +0.60 | 3.45 |
| European Inc | 67.20 | 71.27 | -0.02 | 3.29 |
| -do- Acc | 85.26 | 90.42 | -0.02 | 3.29 |
| Brit Blue Chip | 69.16 | 73.70 | -0.03 | 3.62 |
| -do- Acc | 80.98 | 86.36 | -0.04 | 3.62 |
| Postfolio | 69.50 | 73.90 | -0.02 | 3.27 |
| -do- Acc | 77.76 | 82.81 | -0.01 | 3.27 |
| Gold General | 49.96 | 53.30 | +0.84 | 4.55 |
| -do- Acc | 50.65 | 54.03 | +0.84 | 4.55 |
| Pacific | 75.01 | 80.02 | +0.18 | 0.71 |
| -do- Acc | 79.29 | 84.58 | +0.19 | 0.71 |
| UK Smaller Cos | 44.07 | 47.01 | +0.20 | 1.90 |
| -do- Acc | 49.00 | 52.27 | +0.22 | 1.90 |

**MIDLAND UNIT TRUSTS LTD**
192 Eyre Street, Sheffield. S1 3RD. Dealing: 0742 520 200. Enquiries: 0742 529 076

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Balanced Dist | 54.94 | 58.76 | +0.07 | 3.61 |
| -do- Acc | 54.94 | 58.76 | +0.07 | 3.61 |
| British Dist | 75.66 | 80.92 | -0.49 | 2.66 |
| -do- Acc | 83.57 | 89.38 | -0.55 | 2.66 |
| European Gth | 150.80 | 160.90 | -0.70 | 0.20 |
| -do- Acc | 189.30 | 202.00 | -0.80 | 0.20 |
| Extra High Inc | 62.67 | 67.03 | -1.28 | 6.86 |
| -do- Acc | 109.30 | 116.90 | -0.50 | 6.86 |
| Gilt Fixed Int | 54.77 | 57.07 | -0.15 | 7.32 |
| -do- Acc | 142.20 | 148.10 | -0.40 | 7.32 |
| High Yield | 199.00 | 212.80 | +1.00 | 5.50 |
| -do- Acc | 456.70 | 488.40 | +2.30 | 5.50 |
| Income | 258.20 | 276.20 | +5.20 | 4.42 |
| -do- Acc | 530.10 | 567.00 | +10.60 | 4.42 |
| Japan Gth | 254.10 | 271.70 | +2.00 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 268.20 | 286.70 | +2.10 | ... |
| Mandarin Acc | 82.27 | 87.99 | +0.41 | 1.38 |
| North American | 159.20 | 170.40 | +0.10 | 0.42 |
| -do- Acc | 200.20 | 214.10 | ... | 0.42 |

**MORGAN GRENFELL INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD**
20 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 1UT. Dealing: 071 826 0826. Enquiries: 071 826 0123

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American Gth | 247.90 | 264.10 | +2.40 | 0.47 |
| Cash Inc | 100.34 | 100.34 | +0.05 | 6.96 |
| Cash Acc | 120.68 | 120.68 | +0.06 | 6.96 |
| Euro Gth Acc | 220.70 | 236.10 | +0.30 | ... |
| Europa | 99.67 | 107.40 | ... | ... |
| Intl Gth | 150.20 | 160.20 | +0.70 | ... |
| Japan Tracker | 33.55 | 35.86 | +0.21 | ... |
| UK Equity Inc | 130.70 | 140.90 | +0.70 | 5.58 |
| -do- Acc | 157.40 | 169.70 | +0.90 | 5.58 |
| UK Ind Tracker | 136.00 | 145.80 | ... | 3.65 |
| US Eq Ind Trkr | 183.70 | 196.50 | +0.30 | 1.35 |
| -do- Acc | 193.30 | 206.70 | +0.30 | 1.35 |
| Asian Trader | 121.00 | 131.60 | -0.10 | 1.19 |

**MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT**
7 West Nile St Glasgow G2 2PX. 0345 090 933

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American Inc | 166.03 | 169.70 | ... | 2.92 |
| European | 54.70 | 58.96 | ... | 1.41 |
| Olympiad | 48.19 | 49.42 | ... | 0.82 |
| Global Bond | 46.34 | 47.46 | ... | 3.90 |
| Smaller Cos | 53.75 | 56.06 | ... | 1.94 |
| Equity Income | 86.40 | 88.99 | ... | 5.25 |
| UK Growth | 78.41 | 80.98 | ... | 1.88 |

**NM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD**
The Bilton Centre, North Harbour, Portsmouth. Enquiries: 0705 372222. Dealing: 0705 387730

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American Acc | 45.74 | 48.78 | +0.43 | 0.74 |
| Australian Acc | 263.70 | 282.90 | +3.00 | ... |
| Conscience | 58.90 | 62.84 | -0.68 | 1.46 |
| -do- Acc | 63.20 | 67.44 | -0.76 | 1.46 |
| European | 156.90 | 167.30 | -0.90 | 0.99 |
| -do- Acc | 167.40 | 178.50 | -1.00 | 0.99 |
| Extra Income | 69.09 | 73.73 | -0.10 | 6.09 |
| -do- Acc | 103.40 | 110.30 | +0.30 | 6.09 |
| Far East Gth | 128.40 | 137.20 | +0.70 | 0.06 |
| Gilt Fxd Inc | 56.96 | 60.29 | -0.19 | 7.65 |
| Gold | 26.35 | 28.54 | +0.30 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 28.58 | 30.73 | +0.30 | ... |
| Income | 48.25 | 51.46 | -0.33 | 5.54 |
| -do- Acc | 144.60 | 154.20 | -0.50 | 5.54 |
| International | 26.59 | 28.53 | +0.03 | 0.95 |
| -do- Acc | 38.22 | 41.00 | +0.05 | 0.95 |
| Jap Sm Cos Acc | 233.10 | 248.60 | -0.70 | ... |
| S pore Mly Acc | 139.40 | 149.40 | +1.10 | ... |
| Smllr Cos Acc | 21.43 | 23.04 | +0.16 | 2.08 |
| Special Sits | 29.91 | 32.16 | +0.04 | 1.90 |
| -do- Acc | 34.13 | 36.69 | +0.03 | 1.90 |
| Tokyo | 61.56 | 65.66 | +0.21 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 62.18 | 66.32 | +0.21 | ... |
| US Smllr Co Acc | 101.20 | 108.20 | +2.60 | ... |
| UK Equity | 154.30 | 164.50 | -2.00 | 3.05 |
| -do- Acc | 286.00 | 305.00 | -0.80 | 3.05 |

**N & P UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD**
35 Fountain St, Manchester M2 2AF. 061 237 5522

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| N&P UK Growth | 64.99 | 69.14 | +0.24 | 3.01 |
| N&P Gilt Fxd Int | 72.35 | 76.57 | ... | 7.12 |
| N&P Higher Inc | 160.60 | 170.80 | +1.20 | 5.73 |
| N&P UK Income | 91.82 | 98.21 | +0.56 | 4.46 |
| N&P Intl | 79.80 | 85.81 | +0.20 | 2.34 |
| N&P Smaller Cos | 61.87 | 66.18 | +0.40 | 2.08 |

**NEWTON FUND MANAGERS**
2 London Bridge, London SE1 9RA. 071 407 4404

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| General | 146.46 | 155.81 | +0.33 | 3.87 |
| Global | 238.06 | 253.26 | +0.54 | 1.69 |
| Income | 180.83 | 192.38 | -1.04 | 4.98 |
| Intl Bond | 118.66 | 126.24 | +0.90 | 7.17 |

**PEARL UNIT TRUST LTD**
PO Box 500, Peterborough PE2 6BR. 0733 470470. Dealing: 0800 626577.

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Growth | 130.00 | 138.80 | +0.40 | 3.02 |
| -do- Acc | 225.10 | 236.90 | +0.60 | 3.02 |
| Income | 201.20 | 214.00 | +0.20 | 4.15 |
| Intl Equity | 194.60 | 207.00 | +0.80 | 1.26 |
| -do- Acc | 213.10 | 226.60 | +0.80 | 1.26 |
| Equity | 206.10 | 219.20 | +0.20 | 2.78 |
| -do- Acc | 417.80 | 444.40 | +0.30 | 2.78 |
| UK Intl 25 Acc | 64.11 | 68.20 | +0.01 | 2.25 |
| UK Income | 54.99 | 58.49 | -0.91 | 3.65 |
| UK Smllr Co Acc | 59.53 | 63.32 | +0.38 | 2.39 |
| New Europe Acc | 55.85 | 59.41 | -0.04 | 1.84 |

**PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST**
48 Hart Street, Henley on Thames. 0491 417000

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Asian Smllr Mkt | 71.70 | 76.69 | -0.10 | 0.40 |
| PEP Gth Inc | 87.99 | 94.01 | +0.35 | 1.65 |
| Intl Gth | 416.71 | 445.68 | +2.65 | 0.99 |
| Income | 260.63 | 278.75 | +3.79 | 4.59 |
| W wide Recov | 252.49 | 270.05 | +2.12 | 1.25 |
| American Gth | 187.21 | 200.23 | +1.30 | 0.01 |
| Intl Emerg Cos | 151.97 | 162.54 | +1.51 | 0.72 |
| Far East Gth | 156.02 | 166.87 | +2.64 | 0.37 |
| European Gth | 98.31 | 105.15 | -0.69 | 1.76 |
| UK Growth | 68.03 | 72.77 | +0.89 | 3.61 |
| High Income | 71.19 | 76.14 | -1.09 | 5.35 |
| Japanese Gth | 151.42 | 161.39 | +0.47 | 0.01 |

**PROLIFIC UNIT TRUST MANAGERS**
Walbrook Hse, 23 Walbrook, London EC4N 8LD. Dealing: 0800 262443

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| International | 156.60 | 166.60 | +3.20 | 1.09 |
| High Income | 97.97 | 104.20 | -1.20 | 4.24 |
| Conv Gilt | 102.10 | 108.60 | -3.20 | 7.11 |
| Far East | 259.30 | 275.60 | +0.90 | 0.29 |

**PROSPERITY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT**
1 Seasons Hse Sq, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX. 0622 674751

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American | 47.64 | 50.68 | +0.31 | 0.58 |
| Emerging Mkts | 51.51 | 54.80 | -0.21 | 0.36 |
| General | 45.88 | 48.81 | +0.16 | 3.50 |
| International | 74.80 | 79.57 | +0.13 | 1.43 |
| Gilt Units | 24.93 | 25.70 | -0.09 | 8.25 |
| Global PEP | 32.58 | 34.66 | +0.08 | 2.25 |
| Income Gth | 58.34 | 62.06 | +0.21 | 5.67 |
| European | 38.83 | 41.31 | -0.20 | 1.28 |
| Gilt/Fixed Int | 24.35 | 25.90 | -0.01 | 6.43 |

**PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUSTS LTD**
51/59 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL. 081 478 3377. Pricebank 0426 925091

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pru Mngd Tst** | 26.87 | 28.73 | +0.04 | 1.95 |
| Pru Csh Hvn Inc | 101.37 | 101.37 | +0.05 | 6.04 |
| -do- Acc | 103.14 | 103.14 | +0.05 | 6.04 |
| Pru Equity | 631.27 | 675.15 | -4.71 | 2.77 |
| Pru Equity Inc | 74.51 | 79.68 | +0.35 | 4.54 |
| Pru European | 153.52 | 164.19 | -2.58 | 2.05 |
| Pru Global Gth | 72.38 | 77.41 | +0.17 | 1.66 |
| Pru High Inc | 78.65 | 84.34 | +0.31 | 5.79 |
| Pru Intl | 139.99 | 149.72 | +0.02 | 1.44 |
| Pru Intl Sm Co | 58.69 | 62.77 | -0.30 | 1.03 |
| Pru Japanese | 132.84 | 142.07 | +0.42 | ... |
| Pru Nth Amer | 134.04 | 143.35 | +0.50 | 0.49 |
| Pru Pacific Mkt | 63.16 | 67.55 | -0.15 | 2.08 |
| Pru Prmr Inc | 48.66 | 50.86 | -0.16 | 2.56 |
| Pru Smllr Cos | 71.23 | 76.18 | +0.32 | 2.75 |
| Pru Spec Sits | 93.47 | 99.96 | +0.28 | 2.66 |
| Pru UK Growth | 105.47 | 112.80 | +0.24 | 2.57 |

** Formerly Holborn Trust

**ROTHSCHILD FUND MANAGEMENT LTD**
St Swithin's Lane, London EC4N 8NR. Dealing: 071 634 2984

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Income | 144.31 | 155.55 | -0.21 | 3.72 |
| Japan | 204.64 | 219.53 | +2.32 | ... |
| Major UK Cos | 90.61 | 97.55 | -0.11 | 2.37 |
| America Income | 439.19 | 470.92 | +1.98 | 0.70 |
| -do- Acc | 510.12 | 546.97 | +5.78 | 0.70 |
| Smllr UK Cos | 220.97 | 241.20 | +1.58 | 1.86 |
| Smllr European | 219.00 | 233.47 | -0.44 | 1.81 |

**SAVE & PROSPER GROUP**
16-22 Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB. 0708 766966 or 0800 929929 (IFAs only)

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amer Inc Gth | 67.17 | 71.45 | +0.55 | 3.84 |
| Capital Units | 131.00 | 139.30 | -0.50 | 1.67 |
| Commodity | 84.80 | 90.21 | +1.18 | 1.26 |
| European Gth | 135.60 | 144.20 | -1.30 | 1.21 |
| Financial Sec | 149.80 | 159.30 | -0.40 | 2.37 |
| High Return | 195.50 | 207.90 | -3.60 | 5.22 |
| High Yield | 194.30 | 206.70 | +0.20 | 4.83 |
| Income Units | 98.71 | 105.00 | +0.50 | 7.80 |
| Investment | 151.20 | 160.80 | -0.10 | 1.84 |
| Japan Gth | 104.90 | 111.50 | +0.50 | ... |
| Japan Smaller | 142.80 | 151.90 | ... | ... |
| Masterfund | 40.80 | 43.40 | -0.13 | 1.34 |
| Scotbits | 218.80 | 232.70 | -2.40 | 2.38 |
| Scotshares | 228.80 | 243.40 | +1.50 | 4.29 |
| Scotyields | 212.10 | 225.60 | +1.00 | 4.46 |
| Select Intl | 115.80 | 123.10 | +0.40 | 0.75 |
| Smaller Cos | 188.90 | 200.90 | +3.60 | 5.11 |
| Special Situation | 97.60 | 103.80 | -0.30 | 0.92 |
| UK Equity | 211.10 | 224.50 | -0.50 | 3.56 |
| US Growth | 133.90 | 142.40 | -0.50 | 0.36 |

**SCHRODER UNIT TRUSTS LTD**
33 Gutter Lane, London EC2V 8AS. Client Ser: 0800 526 535. Broker Ser: 0800 526 540

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American | 234.45 | 250.08 | +2.65 | 0.70 |
| -do- Acc | 253.28 | 270.17 | +2.87 | 0.70 |
| Australian | 117.28 | 125.07 | +0.55 | 0.33 |
| -do- Acc | 136.96 | 146.09 | +0.66 | 0.33 |
| UK Enterprise | 184.76 | 197.07 | +0.47 | 3.85 |
| -do- Acc | 213.40 | 227.62 | +3.02 | 3.85 |
| European Gth | 55.99 | 59.72 | -0.15 | 1.62 |
| -do- Acc | 57.96 | 61.82 | -0.15 | 1.62 |
| Euro Smllr Cos | 48.82 | 52.07 | -0.15 | 1.02 |
| -do- Acc | 49.21 | 52.48 | -0.15 | 1.02 |
| Far Eastern Gth | 57.22 | 61.03 | +0.05 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 58.14 | 62.01 | +0.05 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 51.53 | 54.33 | -0.19 | 7.31 |
| -do- Acc | 61.73 | 65.08 | -0.23 | 7.31 |
| Gilt Income | 101.56 | 107.04 | -0.35 | 8.80 |
| -do- Acc | 137.31 | 144.71 | -0.73 | 8.80 |
| Income | 279.04 | 297.64 | +3.02 | 4.97 |
| -do- Acc | 808.24 | 862.12 | +8.73 | 4.97 |
| Japan Enterprise | 48.66 | 51.90 | +0.16 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 48.66 | 51.90 | +0.16 | ... |
| Japan Smllr Cos | 305.90 | 326.29 | +0.44 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 306.51 | 326.95 | +0.45 | ... |
| Pacific Gth | 73.19 | 78.06 | +0.06 | 0.72 |
| -do- Acc | 74.96 | 79.95 | +0.06 | 0.72 |
| Smaller Cos | 157.84 | 168.36 | +1.21 | 1.57 |
| -do- Acc | 180.89 | 192.95 | +1.39 | 1.57 |
| Tokyo | 80.16 | 85.50 | +0.38 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 80.97 | 86.37 | +0.39 | ... |
| UK Equity | 191.48 | 204.24 | -0.69 | 3.34 |
| -do- Acc | 354.57 | 378.21 | +2.97 | 3.34 |
| US Smllr Cos | 116.78 | 124.56 | +2.19 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 116.78 | 124.56 | +2.19 | ... |
| World Fd | 65.42 | 69.78 | +0.30 | 2.32 |
| -do- Acc | 68.45 | 73.01 | +0.32 | 2.32 |

**SCOTTISH AMICABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD**
150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NQ. 041 204 2200

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Equity Income | 37.52 | 39.96 | +0.10 | 5.23 |
| Equity Strategy | 56.28 | 59.94 | +0.11 | 2.69 |
| European Opps | 64.73 | 68.94 | -0.48 | 3.22 |
| Maximum Inc | 100.10 | 102.79 | +0.07 | 6.74 |
| UK Smaller Cos | 42.45 | 45.21 | +0.31 | 3.80 |

**SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS**
19 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh. 031 225 2211

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| UK Equity | 328.60 | 351.40 | +1.40 | 3.17 |
| American | 238.80 | 253.70 | +0.50 | .98 |
| Pacific | 261.90 | 280.10 | +1.50 | .95 |
| European | 404.30 | 432.40 | -2.50 | 1.40 |
| Worldwide | 72.23 | 77.25 | +0.37 | 1.54 |

**SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT**
109 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN. 041 248 6100

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| UK Equity | 290.60 | 309.20 | +0.10 | 3.11 |
| UK Sm Cos Eqty | 178.10 | 189.50 | +1.20 | 3.17 |
| European | 298.30 | 317.40 | -0.40 | 1.95 |
| North American | 240.80 | 256.20 | +2.50 | 0.65 |
| Income Plus Inc | 58.80 | 62.58 | +0.06 | 4.22 |
| UK Spec Sits | 61.71 | 65.65 | -0.01 | 2.72 |

**SCOTTISH PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD**
6 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh EH2 2YA. 031 558 2341/2/3

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Equity Gth Acc | 23.93 | 25.61 | ... | 3.34 |
| Intl Growth Acc | 24.48 | 26.20 | ... | 1.79 |
| Global Inc Acc | 28.66 | 30.68 | ... | 4.01 |
| Market Lctrs Acc | 24.53 | 26.25 | ... | 3.17 |

**SG TOUCHE REMNANT**
Mermaid Hse, 2 Puddle Dock, London EC4V 3AT. 071 248 1250

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American Gth | 79.48 | 85.00 | ... | ... |
| Euro Spec Sits | 38.86 | 41.29 | ... | ... |
| -do- Acc | 41.16 | 43.72 | ... | ... |
| Far East Opps | 25.92 | 27.98 | ... | ... |
| -do- Acc | 26.63 | 28.75 | ... | ... |
| General Growth | 94.44 | 101.50 | ... | 2.52 |
| Global Tech | 112.80 | 121.80 | ... | ... |
| Income Growth | 95.96 | 101.10 | ... | 4.14 |
| Income Monthly | 52.74 | 56.40 | ... | 6.16 |
| Japan Growth | 60.73 | 64.57 | ... | ... |
| Overseas Gth | 67.09 | 71.38 | ... | ... |
| Smaller Cos | 60.90 | 65.48 | ... | 2.43 |
| Special Opps | 78.71 | 84.69 | ... | 2.72 |
| Wld Spec Sits | 39.61 | 42.70 | ... | ... |
| -do- Acc | 39.70 | 42.80 | ... | ... |

**STANDARD LIFE TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD**
3 George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ. 0800 393777

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Managed | 41.39 | 43.98 | ... | 1.76 |
| Equity Gth Acc | 36.06 | 39.57 | ... | 1.08 |
| UK Eq General | 40.64 | 43.18 | ... | .37 |
| -do- Acc | 53.32 | 56.66 | ... | .37 |
| European Acc | 37.78 | 40.15 | ... | .36 |
| Far East Acc | 43.81 | 46.55 | ... | .37 |
| Gilt Fxd Int Inc | 29.72 | 31.43 | ... | .91 |
| N American Acc | 43.17 | 45.87 | ... | .07 |
| O/s Lgr Cos Acc | 240.00 | 260.40 | ... | .77 |
| UK Eq High Inc | 32.38 | 34.41 | ... | .13 |
| -do- Acc | 37.02 | 40.39 | ... | .12 |
| UK Lgr Cos Inc | 278.30 | 302.00 | ... | .83 |
| UK Lgr Cos Acc | 357.90 | 388.40 | ... | .83 |

**STATE STREET UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD**
Bucklersbury Court, 20 Birchin Lane, London EC3V 9AQ. 071 626 1977

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Global A | 110.20 | 116.90 | ... | .89 |
| US Eq | 118.70 | 126.30 | ... | .09 |
| Far East Eq | 106.00 | 112.70 | ... | .. |
| Japan Eq | 106.40 | 113.00 | ... | ... |
| FT Europe | 110.70 | 117.60 | ... | .16 |
| FT North Am | 110.30 | 117.20 | ... | .87 |
| FT Japan | 107.50 | 113.80 | ... | ... |
| FT Asia Ex Jap | 99.53 | 105.70 | ... | .48 |

**STEWART IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS**
45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh. 031 226 3271

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American | 339.50 | 360.10 | -0.80 | .00 |
| British | 898.60 | 959.60 | +2.70 | .87 |
| European | 329.80 | 351.20 | +1.70 | .84 |
| Japan | 110.30 | 117.40 | +0.20 | .. |
| New Pacific | 255.90 | 272.10 | +0.90 | .86 |
| Mngd Cash | 95.41 | 95.41 | -1.22 | .33 |
| Majority Stlg | 99.55 | 103.55 | -1.33 | .15 |
| Inv Tst | 163.90 | 173.70 | -0.50 | .21 |
| Saints PPP | 329.00 | 346.40 | ... | .. |

**SUN ALLIANCE**
Admin. 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex. 0277 227300. Dealing: 0277 690389

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Equity Acc | 698.00 | 744.40 | +2.90 | .31 |
| N America Acc | 107.30 | 114.40 | -0.60 | .28 |
| Far East Acc | 102.00 | 109.10 | +0.20 | .48 |
| W wide Bond | 58.04 | 61.61 | +0.05 | .84 |
| European | 73.38 | 78.48 | -0.43 | .48 |
| Equity Income | 76.14 | 81.43 | +0.52 | .90 |

**SUN LIFE OF CANADA**
Basingview, Basingstoke, Hants RG21 2DL. Dealing: 0256 841414

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American Gth | 33.56 | 35.90 | -0.03 | .68 |
| Managed Assets | 111.58 | 119.34 | -1.60 | .89 |
| UK Income | 34.02 | 36.39 | +0.01 | .12 |
| UK Growth | 34.46 | 36.86 | ... | .80 |
| Worldwide Gth | 27.57 | 29.48 | ... | .69 |

**TSB UNIT TRUSTS LTD**
Charlton Place, Andover, Hants. SP10 1RE. 0264 346794

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American | 191.42 | 203.64 | +0.46 | .37 |
| -do- Acc | 210.25 | 223.67 | +0.51 | .37 |
| British Gth | 82.40 | 87.36 | +0.28 | .19 |
| -do- Acc | 96.27 | 102.42 | +0.45 | .19 |
| European | 82.04 | 87.28 | -0.24 | .30 |
| -do- Acc | 86.54 | 92.06 | -0.26 | .30 |
| Extra Inc | 170.96 | 181.89 | +0.96 | .91 |
| -do- Acc | 268.42 | 285.55 | +1.50 | .91 |
| General Unit | 256.16 | 272.51 | +1.12 | .25 |
| -do- Acc | 499.58 | 531.47 | +2.17 | .25 |
| Income | 302.19 | 321.48 | +2.24 | .94 |
| -do- Acc | 615.47 | 654.75 | +4.36 | .94 |
| International | 451.04 | 479.83 | -2.30 | .75 |
| -do- Acc | 589.50 | 627.22 | -3.00 | .75 |
| Pacific | 279.86 | 297.74 | +1.27 | .11 |
| -do- Acc | 293.11 | 311.82 | +1.33 | .11 |
| Premier Income | 49.61 | 51.68 | +0.04 | .56 |
| -do- Acc | 100.33 | 104.51 | +0.08 | .56 |
| Nat Resources | 81.04 | 86.21 | +0.50 | .. |
| -do- Acc | 88.87 | 94.54 | +0.55 | .. |
| Selected Opps | 88.13 | 93.75 | +0.36 | .45 |
| -do- Acc | 110.05 | 117.07 | +0.45 | .45 |

**TARGET TRUST MANAGERS**
Chariton Place, Andover, Hampshire SP10 1RE. 0264 346747

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American Eagle | 114.90 | 123.00 | +0.70 | .42 |
| Australia | 6.955 | 7.000 | +0.094 | .14 |
| Equity | 169.70 | 181.60 | +0.80 | .63 |
| Euro Spec Sits | 128.50 | 136.70 | -0.60 | .63 |
| Financial | 34.58 | 36.85 | +0.09 | .20 |
| Global Opps Inc | 76.31 | 85.20 | +0.52 | .36 |
| -do- Acc | 82.42 | 88.31 | +0.64 | .36 |
| Gold Gen Inc | 36.62 | 39.20 | +0.340 | .12 |
| -do- Acc | 69.96 | 74.86 | +0.54 | .12 |
| Income | 109.30 | 117.10 | +0.40 | .28 |
| Japan General | 114.30 | 121.60 | +0.30 | . |
| Preference | 20.43 | 22.00 | -0.530 | .34 |
| UK Capital | 97.24 | 104.20 | -0.50 | .24 |
| Worldwide Cap | 185.50 | 198.40 | +1.10 | .94 |
| World Income | 75.84 | 80.81 | -0.17 | .76 |

**THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD**
33 Cavendish Sq, London W1M 7HF. 071 493 7262. Dealing: 071 493 8545

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amer Sml Cos | 71.60 | 76.37 | +1.93 | .. |
| -do- Acc | 73.85 | 78.77 | +2.00 | .. |
| Cash | 50.74 | 50.74 | +0.03 | .90 |
| -do- Acc | 60.39 | 60.39 | +0.04 | .50 |
| European Opps | 55.56 | 59.26 | -0.28 | .60 |
| -do- Acc | 56.07 | 59.80 | -0.28 | .60 |
| Far East Opps | 123.87 | 132.12 | -0.14 | .03 |
| -do- Acc | 126.76 | 135.21 | -0.13 | .03 |
| Gold/Nat. Res | 32.70 | 34.94 | +0.76 | .. |
| -do- Acc | 33.69 | 35.93 | +0.78 | .. |
| Japan | 59.60 | 63.48 | -0.02 | .. |
| -do- Acc | 59.60 | 63.48 | -0.02 | .. |
| Little Dragons | 56.45 | 60.21 | -0.30 | .03 |
| -do- Acc | 57.92 | 61.78 | -0.29 | .03 |
| Oriental Income | 35.99 | 38.38 | -0.05 | .44 |
| -do- Acc | 45.43 | 48.45 | -0.06 | .44 |
| Tiger | 179.65 | 191.62 | -0.68 | .38 |
| -do- Acc | 187.91 | 200.42 | -0.72 | .38 |
| UK Small Cos | 57.76 | 61.77 | +0.52 | .24 |
| -do- Acc | 66.21 | 70.81 | +0.58 | .24 |

**UNITED CHARITIES UNIT TRUSTS**
Unicorn Hse, 252 Romford Rd, London E7. 081 534 5544

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| United Charities | 207.80 | 221.80 | +0.30 | .48 |

**WAVERLEY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD**
13 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh EH2 4DJ. 031 225 1551

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Australasian Gold | 9.71 | 10.33 | ... | .00 |
| Pacific Basin | 28.09 | 29.88 | -0.14 | .03 |
| Canadian Gth | 31.54 | 33.57 | -0.37 | .03 |
| Global Bond | 30.941 | 30.981 | -0.002 | .73 |
| Penny Share | 18.25 | 19.41 | +0.13 | .13 |

**WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS**
2 Honey Lane, London EC1V 8BT. 071 606 3132

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| City Reserve | 51.84 | 51.85 | -3.60 | .62 |
| Gilt Growth | 63.23 | 65.81 | -0.13 | .. |
| Gilt Income | 50.83 | 52.89 | -0.15 | .89 |
| Short Dtd Gilt | 107.00 | 108.40 | -0.20 | .57 |
| US Govmnt Bd | 80.703 | 80.712 | +0.000 | .. |
| Challenger | 88.80 | 90.89 | +0.34 | .. |

**WOOLWICH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD**
1 White Oak Square, Swanley BR8 7AG. 0705 358046

| | Bid | Offer | +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Stockmarket Fd | 65.13 | 69.28 | +0.63 | .21 |

Source: Finstat
* Yield expressed as CAR (Compound Annual Return); † Ex dividend; ‡ Middle price; ... No significant data.

## FT-SE VOLUMES

| | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Abbey Natl | 4,600 | Carlton Cm | 1,300 | Land Secs | 531 | Scot Hydro | 323 |
| Alld-Lyons | 1,200 | Coats Viyella | 238 | Legal & Gn | 2,700 | Scot & New | 932 |
| Anglian W | 1,200 | Cm Union | 821 | Lloyds Bk | 2,000 | Scot Power | 635 |
| Argyll Gp | 3,600 | Courtaulds | 950 | MB Cardn | 785 | Sears | 11,000 |
| Arjo Wiggn | 1,100 | De La Rue | 493 | Marks Spr | 3,200 | Svrn Trent | 522 |
| AB Foods | 245 | Eng China C | 652 | NFC | 459 | Shell Trans | 4,400 |
| BAA | 1,100 | Enterpr Oil | 140 | NatWst Bk | 4,200 | Siebe | 962 |
| BAT Inds | 200 | Fisons | 5,000 | Nat Power | 2,000 | SmKl Bch | 2,700 |
| BET | 3,300 | Forte | 3,400 | Nth Wst W | 1,100 | Smith Nph | 9,000 |
| BOC | 1,100 | GRE | 3,200 | Nthrn Fds | 2,100 | Smith (WH) | 271 |
| BP | 3,800 | GUS A | 264 | P & O | 979 | Sthrn Elec | 322 |
| BT | 7,100 | Gen Acc | 470 | Pearson | 791 | Sun Allnce | 1,200 |
| BTR | 3,800 | Gen Elec | 4,500 | PowerGen | 359 | TI Gp | 1,400 |
| Bk of Scot | 770 | Glaxo | 3,200 | Prudential | 7,500 | TSB | 5,100 |
| Barclays | 3,400 | Granada | 2,100 | RTZ | 1,400 | Tate & Lyle | 1,100 |
| Bass | 1,600 | Grand Met | 8,500 | Rank Org | 1,100 | Tesco | 1,000 |
| Blue Circle | 2,100 | Guinness | 3,100 | Reckitt Col | 621 | Thames W | 10,000 |
| Boots | 3,200 | HSBC | 4,000 | Redland | 2,200 | Thrn EMI | 517 |
| Bowater | 896 | Hanson | 8,100 | Reed Intl | 1,700 | Tomkins | 979 |
| Brit Airwys | 1,500 | ICI | 1,200 | Rentokil | 830 | Unilever | 278 |
| Brit Gas | 5,500 | Inchcape | 447 | Reuters | 903 | Utd Bisc | 1,100 |
| Brit Steel | 4,700 | Kingfisher | 1,100 | Rolls Royce | 1,500 | Vodafone | 214 |
| Burmah Cstrl | 234 | Kwik Save | 575 | Rothmans | 390 | Wellcome | 1,200 |
| Cable Wire | 1,000 | LASMO | 4,900 | Ryl Bk Scot | 4,800 | Whitbd 'A' | 2,100 |
| Cadbury | 2,600 | Ladbroke | 1,900 | Sainsbury | 3,000 | Wllms Hld | 846 |

New York (midday):
Dow Jones 3303.27 (+2.16)
S&P Composite 435.32 (-0.39)

Tokyo:
Nikkei Av'ge 16994.08 (+69.13)

Hong Kong:
Hang Seng 5437.80 (-74.59)

Amsterdam:
CBS Tendency 95.5 (+0.1)

Sydney: AO 1560.5 (+10.6)

Frankfurt:
DAX 1531.33 (-13.72)

FTSE Euro 100: 1083.42 (+0.07)

Brussels:
General 5558.73 (-9.35)

Paris: CAC 479.78 (-4.71)

Zurich: SKA Gen 428.1 (+1.1)

London:
FT A All-Share 1373.20 (+9.41)
FT 500 1526.53 (+9.15)
FT Gold Mines 62.5 (-1.4)
FT Fixed Interest 109.51 (-0.30)
FT Govt Secs 94.05 (-0.29)
Bargains 33093
SEAQ Volume 606.6m
USM (Datastream) 123.04 (+1.44)

| First Dealings | Last Dealings | Last Declaration | For Settlement |
|---|---|---|---|
| December 21 | January 8 | March 25 | April 5 |

Call options were taken out on 4/1/93: Argyll, Berisford Intl, Campari Intl, Cannon Street Invst, Crown Eyeglass, Euro Disney, Hanson Wts, LASMO, ML Laboratories, Ramers, Shandwick, Sterling Publishing, Trafalgar House.
Puts & Calls: Berisford Intl, BET, Hanson Wts, Hunterprint, Kwik-Fit, Shandwick.

| | Period | Open | High | Low | Close | Volume |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| FT-SE 100 (Previous open interest: 44450) | Mar 93 | 2858.0 | 2889.0 | 2850.0 | 2881.0 | 8417 |
| | Jun 93 | - | | | 2903.0 | 0 |
| Three Month Sterling (Previous open interest: 211735) | Mar 93 | 93.44 | 93.45 | 93.36 | 93.44 | 16245 |
| | Jun 93 | 93.69 | 93.74 | 93.65 | 93.74 | 2686 |
| | Sep 93 | 93.71 | 93.78 | 93.68 | 93.77 | 1596 |
| Three Mth Eurodollar (Previous open interest: 18488) | Mar 93 | 96.36 | 96.40 | 96.35 | 96.42 | 842 |
| | Jun 93 | 95.94 | 96.00 | 95.94 | 96.02 | 175 |
| Three Mth Euro DM (Previous open interest: 370174) | Mar 93 | 92.24 | 92.25 | 92.18 | 92.20 | 31748 |
| | Jun 93 | 93.00 | 93.04 | 92.95 | 93.03 | 9993 |
| US Treasury Bond (Previous open interest: 663) | Mar 93 | 104-22 | 105-00 | 104-22 | 105-08 | 15 |
| | Jun 93 | - | | | 104-02 | 0 |
| Long Gilt (Previous open interest: 52964) | Mar 93 | 101-09 | 101-11 | 100-23 | 101-06 | 14382 |
| | Jun 93 | 102-20 | 102-20 | 102-20 | 102-24 | 60 |
| Japanese Govmt Bond | Mar 93 | 108.27 | 108.27 | 108.18 | 108.19 | 335 |
| | Jun 93 | - | | | 107.64 | 0 |
| German Govmt Bond (Previous open interest: 139055) | Mar 93 | 92.42 | 92.59 | 92.26 | 92.54 | 32521 |
| | Jun 93 | 92.50 | 92.56 | 92.34 | 92.57 | 487 |
| Three month ECU (Previous open interest: 10353) | Mar 93 | 90.55 | 90.55 | 90.40 | 90.38 | 751 |
| | Jun 93 | 91.82 | 91.82 | 91.64 | 91.63 | 165 |
| Euro Swiss Franc (Previous open interest: 37982) | Mar 93 | 94.61 | 94.75 | 94.57 | 94.70 | 4272 |
| | Jun 93 | 94.96 | 95.10 | 94.96 | 95.08 | 359 |
| Italian Govmt Bond (Previous open interest: 19915) | Mar 93 | 94.10 | 94.10 | 92.75 | 93.08 | 7417 |
| | Jun 93 | - | | | 93.58 | 0 |

Exchange index compared with 1985 was up at 79.7 (day's range 79.4-79.7).

| Mkt Rates for Dec 4 | Range | Close | 1 month | 3 month |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amsterdam | 2.7542-2.7725 | 2.7676-2.7725 | ¼-⅛ds | ⅜-¼ds |
| Brussels | 50.30-50.64 | 50.54-50.64 | 5-9ds | 14-24ds |
| Copenhagen | 9.5120-9.5630 | 9.5400-9.5630 | 8⅝-12⅞ds | 18-23ds |
| Dublin | 0.9340-0.9385 | 0.9346-0.9383 | 203-723ds | 417-13bds |
| Frankfurt | 2.4544-2.4658 | 2.4625-2.4658 | ⅛-⅜ds | 1-1¼ds |
| Lisbon | 220.20-222.90 | 221.30-222.00 | 149-189ds | 430-520ds |
| Madrid | 173.80-175.68 | 174.64-175.52 | 116-125ds | 323-343ds |
| Milan | 2253.00-2298.00 | 2280.00-2298.00 | 10-13ds | 32-3ds |
| Montreal | 1.9144-1.9223 | 1.9201-1.9223 | 0.11-0.03pr | 0.09-0.0pr |
| New York | 1.4985-1.5085 | 1.5025-1.5035 | 0.50-0.48pr | 1.32-1.3pr |
| Oslo | 10.4790-10.5200 | 10.4970-10.5200 | 5¼-7¼ds | 11⅝-14ds |
| Paris | 8.3840-8.4220 | 8.4070-8.4220 | 4-4⅝ds | 10½-11½ds |
| Stockholm | 10.6900-10.8260 | 10.8020-10.8260 | 2⅞-3⅞ds | 7¼-8⅜ds |
| Tokyo | 187.82-188.43 | 188.18-188.39 | ⅝-½pr | 1⅝-1⅜pr |
| Vienna | 17.21-17.34 | 17.29-17.34 | 1⅜-2⅜ds | 5⅞-7⅞ds |
| Zurich | 2.2161-2.2228 | 2.2184-2.2215 | ¼-⅛pr | ⅜-¼pr |

Source: Extel. Premium - pr. Discount - ds.

| | |
|---|---|
| Argentina peso* | 1.4950-1.4976 |
| Australia dollar | 2.1876-2.1908 |
| Bahrain dinar | 0.561-0.573 |
| Brazil cruzeiro* | 18758.9-18772.9 |
| Cyprus pound | 0.723-0.733 |
| Finland markka | 7.8995-8.0155 |
| Greece drachma | 323.5-330.5 |
| Hong Kong dollar | 11.5766-11.5860 |
| India rupee | 43.02-43.98 |
| Kuwait dinar KD | 0.452-0.462 |
| Malaysia ringgit | 3.8965-3.9007 |
| Mexico peso | n/a |
| New Zealand dollar | 2.9112-2.9189 |
| Saudi Arabia riyal | 5.577-5.703 |
| Singapore dollar | 2.4698-2.4730 |
| S Africa rand (fin) | 7.3195-7.5075 |
| S Africa rand (com) | 4.6133-4.6195 |
| U A E dirham | 5.4605-5.5845 |

Barclays Bank GTS * Lloyds Bank

| | |
|---|---|
| Australia | 1.4628-1.469 |
| Austria | 11.49-11.51 |
| Belgium (Com) | 33.57-33.61 |
| Canada | 1.2780-1.285 |
| Denmark | 6.35-6.36 |
| France | 5.596-5.601 |
| Germany | 1.6395-1.605 |
| Hong Kong | 7.741-7.42 |
| Ireland | 1.600-1.05 |
| Italy | 1516.0-1523.0 |
| Japan | 125.34-125.39 |
| Malaysia | 2.6055-2.665 |
| Netherlands | 1.838-1.40 |
| Norway | 6.993-7.03 |
| Portugal | 147.0-14.3 |
| Singapore | 1.6515-1.625 |
| Spain | 116.0-116.5 |
| Sweden | 7.185-7.95 |
| Switzerland | 1.4795-1.400 |

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 7 Finance Hse 7½
Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 7¼ Low 6½ Week fixed 7⅛
Treasury Bills (Dis): Buy: 2 mth 6⅝; 3 mth 6⅝. Sell: 2 mth 6⅝; 3 mth 6⅝.

| | 1 mth | 2 mth | 3 mth | 6 mth | 12 mth |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Prime Bank Bills (Dis): | 6⅝-6⅝ | 6⅝-6⅝ | 6⅝-6⅝ | 6½-6⅜ | |
| Sterling Money Rates: | | | | | |
| Interbank: | 7⅛-7⅛ | 7⅛-7 | 7⅛-7 | 7-6⅞ | 6⅝-6⅝ |
| Overnight: open 7⅛ close 6⅝ | | | | | |
| Local Authority Deps: | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Sterling CDs: | 7⅛-6⅝ | 7⅛-6⅝ | 7-6⅞ | 6⅝-6⅝ | 6⅝-6⅝ |
| Dollar CDs: | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Building Society CDs: | 7⅛-7⅛ | 7⅛-7 | 7⅛-7 | 6⅞-6⅞ | 6⅝-6⅝ |

ECGD: Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance. Make-up day: Dec 31, 1992 Agreed rates Jan 26, 1993 to Feb 23, 1993 Scheme I: 8.38%. Schemes II & III: 8.50%. Reference rate Dec 1, 1992 to Dec 31, 1992 Scheme IV & V: 7.232%.

| Currency | 7 day | 1 mth | 3 mth | 6 mth | Call |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dollar: | 3⅛-2⅞ | 3¼-3 | 3¼-3⅛ | 3⅜-3¼ | 3½-2½ |
| Deutschemark: | 8⅞-8⅞ | 8⅞-8⅞ | 8⅝-8⅝ | 8⅛-8⅛ | 9⅞-8⅞ |
| French Franc: | 13¼-13 | 12-11½ | 11½-11¼ | 10½-10¼ | 1-9 |
| Swiss Franc: | 6¼-6 | 6⅛-6 | 6-5⅞ | 5⅞-5⅝ | 6⅝-5⅝ |
| Yen: | 3⅝-3½ | 3⅝-3½ | 3⅝-3½ | 3⅝-3½ | 4⅝-3⅝ |

Bullion: Open $331.90-332.20 Close: $328.40-328.80 High: $332.90-333.40
Low: $326.10-326.60 Krugerrand: $328.00-330.00 (£218.25-219.50)
Sovereigns: Old $78.50-80.50 (£50.00-52.00) New $78.50-80.50 (£50.00-52.00)
Platinum: $352.50 (£235.00) Silver: $3.66 (£2.435) Palladium: $106.25 (£70.85)

## LIFFE OPTIONS

| Series | | Calls Jan | Apr | Jul | Puts Jan | Apr | Jul |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Alld Lyon | 600 | 49 | 65 | 77 | 4 | 13 | 26 |
| (*645) | 650 | 14 | 34 | 46 | 19 | 33 | 48 |
| ASDA | 50 | 10 | 13 | 14½ | 1½ | 3 | 5 |
| (*59½) | 60 | 3 | 7 | 10 | 4½ | 6½ | 9½ |
| Bass | 600 | 50 | 68 | 82 | 5 | 14 | 25 |
| (*645) | 650 | 16 | 37 | 54 | 23 | 36 | 47 |
| Boots | 550 | 19 | 37 | 48 | 10 | 21 | 32 |
| (*558½) | 600 | 3½ | 15 | 27 | 45 | 50 | 60 |
| Br Airways | 300 | 15 | 26 | 33 | 9 | 16 | 27 |
| (*307) | 330 | 4 | 15 | 22 | 28 | 36 | 46 |
| BP | 220 | 31 | 35 | 40 | 1½ | 4 | 7½ |
| (*245½) | 240 | 12 | 20 | 26 | 4 | 9 | 14 |
| | 260 | 4 | 10 | 18 | 15 | 21 | 25 |
| Br Steel | 50 | 9 | 10½ | 13½ | 1½ | 4 | 7 |
| (*55½) | 60 | 3 | 6½ | 8½ | 6½ | 9 | 11½ |
| C & W | 650 | 69 | 82 | 97 | 2½ | 12 | 23 |
| (*713½) | 700 | 27 | 48 | 65 | 13 | 28 | 42 |
| CU | 600 | 33 | 46 | 60 | 8 | 27 | 37 |
| (*631½) | 650 | 10 | 25 | 38 | 35 | 56 | 67 |
| Courtauld | 550 | 53 | 67 | 77 | 4 | 12 | 24 |
| (*599) | 600 | 15 | 35 | 48 | 18 | 32 | 47 |
| GKN | 420 | 47 | 52 | 58 | 3 | 10 | 17 |
| (*643½) | 460 | 15 | 24 | 34 | 11 | 29 | 35 |
| Grnd Met | 460 | 14 | 32 | 45 | 14 | 23 | 31 |
| (*459) | 500 | 3 | 15 | 28 | 43 | 49 | 54 |
| ICI | 1000 | 50 | 100 | 112 | 4½ | 33 | 48 |
| (*1072½) | 1050 | 41 | 68 | 83 | 15 | 58 | 71 |
| | 1100 | 15 | 38 | 61 | 42 | 87 | 100 |
| Kingfshr | 550 | 50 | 65 | 75 | 4 | 13 | 24 |
| (*597) | 600 | 15 | 35 | 46 | 20 | 33 | 47 |
| Ladbroke | 180 | 13 | 24 | 27 | 7 | 16 | 25 |
| (*186½) | 200 | 5 | 14 | 19 | 19 | 27 | 37 |
| Land Sec | 420 | 30 | 41 | 47 | 2½ | 6½ | 16 |
| (*443½) | 460 | 5½ | 15 | 23 | 18 | 24 | 38 |
| M & S | 330 | 8 | 17 | 23 | 10 | 17 | 24 |
| (*325) | 360 | 2 | 7 | 13 | 36 | 37 | 44 |
| Sainsbury | 550 | 29 | 45 | 56 | 8 | 17 | 26 |
| (*573) | 600 | 5 | 19 | 32 | 36 | 43 | 52 |
| Shell | 550 | 18½ | 25½ | 39 | 7 | 21 | 28 |
| (*558) | 600 | 2½ | 8 | 18½ | 42 | 57 | 60 |
| Stnd Bch | 475 | 37 | - | - | 4 | - | - |
| (*504½) | 500 | 18 | 33 | 48 | 11 | 23 | 31 |
| Storehse | 200 | 7 | 15 | 21 | 9½ | 16 | 21 |
| (*196) | 220 | 3 | 7 | 13 | 27 | 30 | 34 |
| Trafalgar | 70 | 10½ | 14 | 16 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| (*80) | 80 | 4½ | 9 | 12 | 4½ | 9 | 12 |
| Unilever | 1100 | 30 | 53 | 71 | 16 | 38 | 50 |
| (*1116½) | 1150 | 10 | 30 | 48 | 50 | 70 | 82 |
| Utd Bsc | 330 | 34 | 39 | 42 | 3 | 9½ | 16 |
| (*362) | 360 | 13 | 20 | 26 | 11 | 25 | 31 |

January 4, 1993 Tot: 20403 Calls: 16665 Puts: 3738 FT-SE Calls: 5630 Puts: 1337
*Underlying security price.

| Series | | Calls Feb | May | Aug | Puts Feb | May | Aug |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BAA | 750 | 55 | 73 | 83 | 11 | 21 | 32 |
| (*784½) | 800 | 24 | 44 | 56 | 32 | 42 | 54 |
| BAT Ind | 950 | 56 | 69 | 85 | 20 | 43 | 53 |
| (*981) | 1000 | 29 | 44 | 61 | 44 | 74 | 80 |
| BTR | 550 | 26 | 36 | 45 | 14 | 27 | 32 |
| (*552½) | 600 | 6 | 15 | 24 | 47 | 60 | 62 |
| Br Aero | 160 | 28 | 37 | 44 | 8 | 17 | 26 |
| (*175) | 180 | 18 | 28 | 34 | 17 | 32 | 38 |
| Br Telecm | 390 | 25 | 35 | 42 | 7 | 12 | 19 |
| (*403½) | 420 | 9 | 19 | 26 | 22 | 26 | 34 |
| Cadbury | 420 | 40 | 46 | 52 | 5 | 14 | 19 |
| (*452) | 460 | 15 | 23 | 31 | 22 | 35 | 39 |
| Guinness | 500 | 32 | 43 | 53 | 15 | 28 | 34 |
| (*512) | 550 | 10 | 22 | 32 | 45 | 50 | 62 |
| GEC | 280 | 11½ | 19 | 23 | 9 | 14 | 18 |
| (*282½) | 300 | 5 | 11 | 14 | 23 | 25 | 30 |
| Hanson | 220 | 22 | 26 | 29 | 2½ | 6 | 9 |
| (*237½) | 240 | 8½ | 14 | 19 | 8 | 13 | 17 |
| LASMO | 140 | 31 | 32 | 38 | 4½ | 10½ | 14 |
| (*167) | 160 | 17 | 22 | 28 | 10 | 20 | 24 |
| Lucas | 130 | 15 | 20 | 26 | 5 | 16 | 20 |
| (*131) | 140 | 11 | 17 | 20 | 17 | 22 | 26 |
| P & O | 500 | 42 | 55 | 65 | 17 | 35 | 42 |
| (*520) | 550 | 16 | 32 | 42 | 42 | 64 | 72 |
| Pilkingtn | 100 | 12 | 19 | 21 | 8 | 14 | 18 |
| (*104) | 110 | 6 | 11 | 15 | 15 | 21 | 24 |
| Prudential | 280 | 26 | 33 | 36 | 5 | 12 | 15 |
| (*301½) | 300 | 14 | 19 | 25 | 12 | 21 | 25 |
| RTZ | 650 | 54 | 63 | 76 | 12 | 29 | 38 |
| (*684) | 700 | 24 | 36 | 50 | 34 | 57 | 64 |
| Scot New | 460 | 28 | 42 | 50 | 12 | 20 | 28 |
| (*468½) | 500 | 10 | 22 | 29 | 35 | 41 | 50 |
| Tesco | 240 | 23 | 29 | 32 | 5 | 12 | 14 |
| (*256) | 260 | 11 | 17 | 21 | 14 | 22 | 24 |
| Thames W | 460 | 40 | 52 | 52 | 5 | 9 | 17 |
| (*492½) | 500 | 14 | 27 | 30 | 19 | 25 | 37 |
| Vodafone | 420 | 30 | 45 | 54 | 14 | 23 | 30 |
| (*430) | 460 | 12 | 25 | 34 | 36 | 45 | 53 |

FT-SE INDEX (*2860½)

| | 2700 | 2750 | 2800 | 2850 | 2900 | 2950 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Calls | | | | | | |
| Jan | 165 | 120 | 79 | 42 | 21 | 9 |
| Feb | 175 | 157 | 120 | 90 | 63 | 43 |
| Mar | 205 | 169 | 140 | 114 | 92 | 67 |
| Apr | 219 | 185 | 152 | 128 | 98 | 77 |
| Jun | 248 | - | 188 | - | 136 | - |
| Puts | | | | | | |
| Jan | 5 | 9 | 16½ | 34 | 62 | 125 |
| Feb | 24 | 37 | 50 | 77 | 102 | 136 |
| Mar | 42 | 50 | 67 | 88 | 115 | 155 |
| Apr | 54 | 65 | 85 | 108 | 128 | 165 |
| Jun | 65 | - | 103 | - | 155 | - |

| Series | | Calls Mar | Jun | Sep | Puts Mar | Jun | Sep |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Abby Nat | 390 | 28 | 32 | 42 | 19 | 24 | 28 |
| (*392½) | 420 | 13 | 20 | 30 | 38 | 42 | 47 |
| Amstrad | 20 | 5½ | 6½ | 7½ | 2 | 2½ | 3 |
| (*23) | 25 | 2½ | 4 | 4 | 4½ | 5 | 6 |
| Barclays | 360 | 45 | 51 | 53 | 18 | 24 | 31 |
| (*389½) | 390 | 27 | 34 | 40 | 34 | 40 | 48 |
| Blue Cir | 180 | 37 | 38 | 54 | 11 | 20 | 21 |
| (*206) | 200 | 26 | 27 | 39 | 20 | 31 | 36 |
| Br Gas | 230 | 24 | 26 | 32 | 6½ | 13 | 16 |
| (*292½) | 300 | 12 | 15½ | 21 | 15 | 23 | 26 |
| | 330 | 4 | 6½ | 10½ | 39 | 45 | 47 |
| Dixons | 240 | 33 | 42 | 45 | 9 | 14 | 20 |
| (*263½) | 260 | 22 | 31 | 35 | 17 | 24 | 28 |
| Eurotnl | 330 | 35 | 50 | 60 | 23 | 32 | 38 |
| (*337) | 360 | 21 | 33 | 47 | 40 | 50 | 55 |
| Forte | 180 | 27 | 32 | 36 | 10 | 20 | 21 |
| (*195) | 200 | 16 | 21 | 28 | 20 | 30 | 34 |
| Glaxo | 700 | 108 | 122 | 142 | 12 | 24 | 33 |
| (*797½) | 750 | 71 | 90 | 112 | 26 | 42 | 52 |
| | 800 | 40 | 64 | 87 | 52 | 66 | 77 |
| HSBC | 460 | 60 | 66 | 77 | 15 | 27 | 37 |
| (*501) | 500 | 35 | 47 | 57 | 29 | 46 | 56 |
| Hillsdwn | 130 | 24 | 29 | 32 | 10 | 16 | 21 |
| (*143) | 140 | 18 | 24 | 28 | 14 | 22 | 26 |
| Lonrho | 70 | 9½ | 12½ | 14½ | 7½ | 10½ | 13 |
| (*73) | 80 | 5 | 9 | 11½ | 14 | 16 | 20 |
| Reuter | 1400 | 98 | 125 | 157 | 65 | 90 | 110 |
| (*1429) | 1450 | 70 | 100 | 132 | 93 | 117 | 115 |
| R-Royce | 110 | 14 | 17 | 21 | 9 | 12 | 14 |
| (*117) | 120 | 9 | 12½ | 16 | 15 | 18 | 20 |
| Sears | 100 | 8 | 11 | 14 | 7 | 11 | 12 |
| (*99) | 110 | 4½ | 7 | 10 | 14 | 17 | 19 |
| Thrn Emi | 850 | 65 | 85 | 86 | 24 | 31 | 49 |
| (*882½) | 900 | 28 | 57 | 60 | 52 | 52 | 73 |
| TSB | 140 | 19 | 21 | 24 | 5 | 7 | 10 |
| (*155) | 160 | 7 | 10 | 15 | 13 | 17 | 20 |
| Vaal Reefs | 25 | 5½ | 6 | 6 | 2½ | 3 | 4 |
| (*27) | 30 | 2½ | 4 | 4 | 5½ | 6 | 7½ |
| Wellcome | 950 | 70 | 95 | 125 | 45 | 63 | 75 |
| (*974) | 1000 | 45 | 69 | 95 | 72 | 92 | 100 |
| Series | | Jan | Apr | Jul | Jan | Apr | Jul |
| Fisons | 240 | 19 | 31 | 44 | 10 | 25 | 35 |
| (*245) | 260 | 8 | 24 | 35 | 20 | 35 | 48 |
| Series | | Feb | May | Aug | Feb | May | Aug |
| Eastrn Elc | 400 | 34 | 45 | - | 8 | 14 | - |
| (*429) | 430 | 15 | - | - | 22 | - | - |
| Series | | Mar | Jun | Sep | Mar | Jun | Sep |
| Nat Pwr | 280 | 16 | 24 | 28 | 15 | 19 | 24 |
| (*282½) | 300 | 8 | 14 | 18 | 28 | 30 | 35 |
| Scot Pwr | 240 | 11 | 18 | 21 | 10 | 13 | 17 |
| (*244) | 260 | 4 | 9 | 13 | 24 | 25 | 30 |

REPORT: Barley moved lower on thin trade, the lack of FOB interest left traders looking at intervention, and the futures still reflect that. The first London tea auction of 1993 attracted good but less forceful demand at mixed rates. A smaller quantity of Assams sold readily at fully firm rates.

**LONDON FOX**

COCOA
Mar 703-702 | May 807-804
May 717-716 | Jul 820-818
Jul 732-731 | Sep 828 BID
Sep 747-746 | Dec 855-852
Dec 769-768
Mar 792 SLR | Volume: 13751

ROBUSTA COFFEE ($)
Jan 998-997 | Sep 992-991
Mar 1012-1011 | Nov 999-990
May 993-992 | Jan 1012-990
Jul 985-984 | Volume: 2637

RAW SUGAR (FOB)
C Czarnikow | Oct 191.0-89.0
Spot: n/a | Dec 193.0-89.0
Mar 186.0-84.0 | Mar 194.0-90.0
May 190.0-88.0 | May 195.0-91.0
Aug 191.0-89.0 | Volume: 13

WHITE SUGAR (FOB)
Reuters | Oct 243.8-42.7
Spot: 250.0 | Dec 247.8-45.2
Mar 248.4-48.0 | Mar 250.3-47.0
May 250.4-49.7 | May 252.8-49.5
Aug 256.1-55.2 | Volume: 799

**MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION**
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on January 4

| (p/kg lw) | Pig | Sheep | Cattle |
|---|---|---|---|
| GB: | 86.48 | 86.11 | 115.52 |
| (+/-) | -0.86 | +1.88 | +0.74 |
| Eng/Wales: | 86.56 | 86.06 | 115.73 |
| (+/-) | -0.83 | -1.83 | +1.00 |
| (%) | +77.1 | -6.3 | +5.8 |
| Scotland: | 83.62 | 86.37 | 113.61 |
| (+/-) | -2.49 | -2.12 | -1.50 |
| (%) | +28.8 | -41.2 | -23.4 |

**LONDON MEAT FUTURES**
Live Pig (kg)

| | Open | Close | | Open | Close |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jan | 103.5 | 103.5 | Jun | 103.5 | 103.5 |
| Apr | unq | unq | Volume: 2 | | |

**GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES**

WHEAT (close £/t)
Jan 136.40
Mar 138.45
May 140.45
Jun 141.00
Sep 107.75
Volume: 119

BARLEY (close £/t)
Jan 131.40
Mar 133.90
May 135.50
Sep 106.50
Nov 109.00
Volume: 76

HI-PRO SOYA (close £/t)
Feb 159.00
Apr 156.80
Jun 146.50
Aug 148.50
Oct unq
Volume: 30

POTATO
(£/t) Open Close
Apr 63.1 63.8
May 71.0 71.0
Apr unq 91.0
Volume: 43

RUBBER
No 1 RSS Cif (p/kg)
Feb 65.00-64.50

ICIS-LOR (London 6.00pm): Some of the prompt North Sea crude oil cargoes had now been placed, but the market remained soft.

CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Brent Physical | 17.75 | -0.10 |
| Brent 15 day (Jan) | 17.85 | -0.10 |
| Brent 15 day (Feb) | 18.05 | -0.20 |
| W Texas Intermediate (Feb) | 19.25 | -0.30 |
| W Texas Intermediate (Mar) | 19.40 | -0.25 |

PRODUCTS ($/MT)
Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

| | Bid | Offer |
|---|---|---|
| Premium Gas .15 | 188 (n/c) | 190 (n/c) |
| Gasoil EEC | 174 (-3) | 176 (-2) |
| Non EEC 1H Jan | 179 (-2) | 180 (-2) |
| Non EEC 1H Feb | 179 (-2) | 180 (-2) |
| 3.5 Fuel Oil | 72 (n/c) | 74 (+1) |
| Naphtha | 176 (-2) | 178 (-1) |

**IPE FUTURES**
GNI Ltd

GAS OIL
Jan 173.00 SLR | Apr 169.00-69.25
Feb n/a | May 167.00-68.00
Mar n/a | Jun 167.00-67.25
Vol: 22471

BRENT (6.00pm)
Feb 18.03-18.04 | May n/a
Mar 18.12-18.14 | Jun 18.23-18.27
Apr 18.17-18.20 | Vol: 23786

UNLEADED GASOLINE
Jan 185.50-86.25 | Apr 196.00-00.00
Feb 187.50-88.25 | May 197.00 BID
Mar 192.00 SLR | Vol: 252

**BIFFEX**
GNI Ltd ($10/pt)

| | High | Low | Close |
|---|---|---|---|
| Jan 93 | 1314 | 1313 | 1311 |
| Feb 93 | unq | unq | 1300 |
| Mar 93 | unq | unq | 1287 |
| Jun 93 | unq | unq | 1273 |

Vol: 5 lots. Open int'st: 3234 Index 1368 -5

**LONDON METAL EXCHANGE**
(Official) (Volume prev day) Rudolf Wolff

| | Cash | 3mth | Vol |
|---|---|---|---|
| Copper Gde A (£/tonne) | 1530.0-1531.0 | 1544.0-1545.0 | 799475 |
| Lead (£/tonne) | 302.00-302.50 | 312.50-313.00 | 39150 |
| Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne) | 1059.0-1059.5 | 1079.0-1079.5 | 480500 |
| Tin ($/tonne) | 5815.0-5820.0 | 5875.0-5880.0 | 14715 |
| Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne) | 1230.0-1230.5 | 1253.0-1253.5 | 667350 |
| Nickel ($/tonne) | 6067.0-6072.0 | 6160.0-6165.0 | 48936 |

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**GALLERIES: page 30**
John Ruskin: one of the artists whose views of Italy are currently on show in Edinburgh

# ARTS

**CINEMA: page 31**
Kenneth Branagh: the money for his films is raised by producer Stephen Evans



Joan Baez, one-time folk singer and long-time political activist, is making music again, as she tells **Alan Jackson**

## Polish the diamonds, chip off the rust

For Joan Baez, the Eighties were not a sympathetic environment in which to operate. The voice that had seemed clear, plangent and inspirational when ringing out above crowds of civil rights marchers in the Sixties and Seventies was suddenly out of tune with dominant social values.

And although she continued to lobby and perform — from Poland to Nicaragua to the Gaza Strip, at Live Aid and on Amnesty International's "Conspiracy of Hope" world tour — her persona became widely perceived as hectoring and headmistress-like. To many, she was a worthy figure from another time, noble yet increasingly irrelevant.

"I know. I know," says the Baez of today, shuddering at a stereotype she recognises all too well. "For a long time that rigidity was all I would let people see. I think of the Joan Baez of 19 or 25 as almost another person, and I'm in great awe of what she did and how she did it. But it came to a point three or four years ago where I was faced with a decision about myself.

"I realised I could just settle for fading into the past clutching my legendary status — which, after all, isn't such a bad thing. Or I could draw a distinction between 'legendary' and 'fossilised', and try and bring myself back into the current musical stream, to a place where I would be listened to again. I wasn't satisfied with the first option, so I set about tackling the tremendous amount of work necessary to achieve the second."

The result was a worldwide deal with the Virgin label and a new album, *Play Me Backwards*, to be released in Britain on January 25. Built around a nucleus of material written by herself and two young Nashville collaborators, Wally Wilson and Kenny Greenberg, it represents her most personal and committed musical work since her surprise 1976 success, *Diamonds and Rust*. The glowing reviews it has received in the United States come as a relief and a vindication to the 51-year-old artist, serene and quick to laugh.

"When I entered the scene I was 18 and didn't have to plan anything," she says of the enormous changes to have taken place in the recording industry since her 1960 debut. "Back then I'd just go into the studio with a bunch of the latest songs I'd learned, sing them, put the record out and a lot of people would buy it. That was all there was to being a big international star. And that's why it took me so long to get the real picture."

> 'My biggest handicap has been that fear of not pleasing'

The first indication that her parallel involvement in political and social movements had come to overshadow her musical career came when her record sales slumped at the end of the Vietnam war. "I had always known I was different — because of the activism, and because I was a folk singer, not a rock 'n' roll star. But then I started to cling on to those differences for my own protection — I stayed with what felt safe for me. I would be reading the editorials in *The New York Times* during breaks in recording, rather than concentrating wholeheartedly on the album I was making. Then music shifted, the whole socio-political atmosphere shifted, and I just didn't understand it. I found myself left behind."

Re-engaging with the mainstream has taken courage, some self-deprecating humour and a little humility also. "Doing the things I do well — flying to somewhere like Czechoslovakia and playing to a group of dissidents or whatever — that's always been easy for me. But saying to someone I respect, 'Will you help me to write a song?' . . . My whole internal system had to be re-arranged." And after years of bumbling along on her own, she realised she must hire a manager.

DENZIL MCNEELANCE



Joan Baez: "Music shifted, the whole socio-political atmosphere shifted and I just didn't understand it. I found myself left behind."

"I interviewed a lot of people. All of them saw the potential that comes from my history, but the smart ones saw how that could work against me too. And when Mark Spector, my eventual choice, said that nothing would be achieved quickly or easily, that it would all be done through increments, it was exactly what I needed to hear."

Virgin's relaxed approach to musical direction and release scheduling proved both liberating and disabling. "For the first six months I sat around pointing fingers and complaining," Baez admits, grinning. "People would come to me with this song or that and say, 'How do you like it, oh great queen?'. And I'd snap at them, 'No, no, no! Take it away — it's meaningless.' Then it dawned on me that I wasn't offering a hell of a lot to the project myself."

But nor was her eventual collaborative work with Wilson and Greenberg entirely friction-free. "We'd sit in a room together and end up quarelling, mostly. There'd be 'Haven't you guys ever heard of an understatement?' coming from me, and then from them, 'Just because you know about writing poetry, it doesn't mean you know a whole lot about putting together a song . . .'" Yet the results — augmented by excellent choices from the work of Janis Ian, Mary-Chapin Carpenter, John Stewart and John Hiatt — have a freshness and vitality long missing from her work.

"It's funny that by trying to please yourself for once, you end up pleasing other people," she says. "My biggest handicap has long been that old childhood fear of not pleasing, of worrying 'people aren't going to like this'. But I've been helped too by the fact that the industry is more receptive to more mature performers — and, thanks to Tracy Chapman and Suzanne Vega, folk-based performers — than it was five years ago. Otherwise, all this would have been tremendously more difficult to realise."

As she waits to build on the so-far positive reaction to *Play Me Backwards*, Baez is determined to put her career above the expectations of fellow activists. "My devotion to non-violence and social change formed long before I first picked up a ukulele and will go on until I fall into the grave, I'm sure. The length of time my vocal cords will be elastic is limited, however. Inevitably, people will say I've given up my causes, but I want to make it clear I've arrested involvement in other activities only temporarily.

"It's a first for me to put my own music first, and if that means that for a period of time I can't watch the news then so be it. For me, action has been the only antidote to the overwhelming sorrow brought on by the stories coming in from all over the world. But if I want to create some things I can be proud of before I start five years of farewell concerts from my wheelchair, I have to put the other stuff on hold for a time."

## Mysterious youth is back

IS THE long-running mystery of the Getty Kouros any closer to solution? The life-sized marble statue of a youth acquired in a blaze of publicity by the Getty Museum in 1985 has been the subject of international controversy ever since. The museum maintains that it is a genuine work from archaic Greece; many other scholars believe it to be a modern forgery.

The statue in question has not been on public display since 1990, but it returns to the Getty Museum in Malibu, California, this weekend along with casts of two undisputedly authentic *kouroi* from European collections, a modern forgery bought in 1990 for study purposes, and a mass of other evidence.

Does the museum itself have second thoughts? All museum authorities will say is that no definitive evidence has yet been presented, so that visitors can expect no more than an open-ended debate, while studies into the statue's authenticity are carried out.

### Last chance . . .

TIMBERLAKE Wertenbaker's *Three Birds Alighting On A Field* has alighted twice at the Royal Court (071-730 1745), first in 1991 and again last autumn, each time to rave reviews and packed houses. Her serio-comic view of the collapse in art prices, the quiet decay of Old England yet the possibility, if a person is honest, of happiness is graced by Harriet Walter's superb performance as that rarity in modern English drama, an upper-class heroine sympathetically portrayed. The extended run ends on Saturday.

TELEVISION REVIEW: Victims of a designer drug

## Upsetting their chemistry

Lot's wife had something in common with the unfortunates who provided the meat in last night's *Horizon*, on BBC 2. Meat they nearly were, for overnight they were frozen solid by a designer drug that went horribly wrong.

They went to bed typical California hedonists with a taste for recreational drugs, and woke the next morning rigid, eyes staring hopelessly from expressionless faces, victims of a fast-track version of Parkinson's Disease.

Seldom has self-indulgence had more brutal or immediate consequences. Regular hangovers, cured with a Fernet Branca or a prairie oyster, pale into insignificance. The half-dozen victims of the clumsy chemist were reduced to intelligent cabbages, desperate to move but capable of no more than a pathetic shuffle. The drug knocked out the cells in their brains responsible for making dopamine, a chemical vital for turning thought into action.

Yet, in a twist that might give even Jeffrey Archer pause, the accident created a tremendous new method for studying Parkinson's Disease. For the first time the drug provides a way of giving the condition to monkeys, and testing cures on them. That, in turn, has given the frozen addicts hope that they themselves may one day be liberated from their imprisonment.

**Horizon**
**BBC 2**

You can hardly go wrong with a story line as strong as this, and *Horizon did not*. There were moments when the commentary bust its braces straining for effect, and adding little to what was already evident on the screen. But this was gripping stuff, a human tragedy with more than a hint of a happy ending.

There was even an ethical dilemma, without which these days no medical story is complete. The cure involves extracting immature brain cells from aborted foetuses and transplanting them into the victims' brains, where they settle down quite cheerfully and begin to produce the missing dopamine.

In the United States, where abortion raises hackles, such operations cannot be conducted. Approval was granted by the National Institutes of Health, only for this approval to be overruled by the White House; so Juanita Lopez and George Carillo, two of the *frozen addicts, had to travel* to more liberal Sweden for their brain transplants.

Remarkably enough, they worked. For a while, nothing much seemed to happen, but then both patients showed distinct improvements. As the brain cells matured and started to produce dopamine, the awful rigidity diminished. Like Sleeping Beauty reawakened, Juanita and George stretched their limbs and walked. They smiled, they talked, they looked like human beings again. It was a moving *moment*.

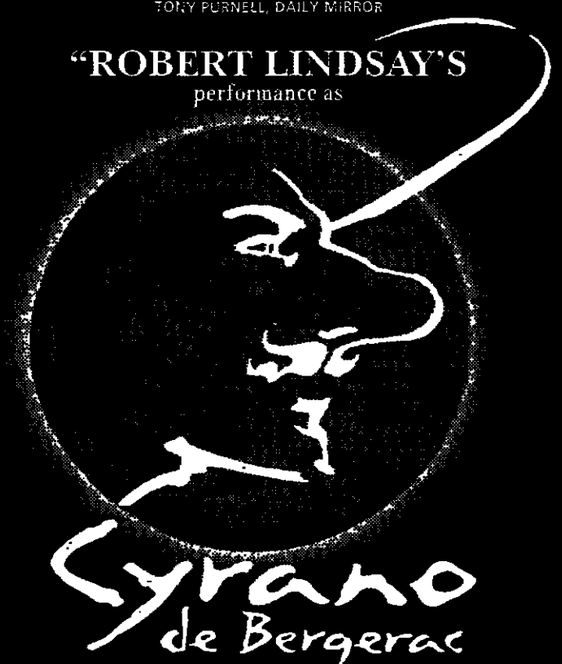
Whether this modern version of monkey gland treatment can do anything for the millions of people crippled by true Parkinson's Disease is more uncertain. Unlike the frozen addicts, they are old and still entertain the causative agent, whatever it may be, that gave them the disease in the first place. In any case, separating out the foetal brain cells and introducing them into the patients' brains is formidably difficult and expensive.

Not the least of the programme's virtues was the powerful evidence it provided that complex symptoms can be the result of a single misplaced brain chemical. Without wishing to denigrate the efforts of Freudians, Jungians, behaviourists and allied psychotherapists, I finished more than ever persuaded that biochemistry holds the key to most mental diseases, particularly the degenerative ones. Just a few molecules lie between the luminous light of intelligence and silent oafishness; a humbling thought with which to end a marvellous programme.

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## TODAY'S EVENTS

**A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Karl Knight**

### LONDON

**THE ADVENTURES OF MR BROUCEK:** English National Opera's Janáček production has fine performances from Graham Clark, Vivian Tierney and Bonaventura Bottone, beautiful orchestral playing, and exemplary conducting from Sir Charles Mackerras: but David Pountney's staging, piling in-joke upon in-joke, suffers from an excess of invention and a reluctance to let this quirky and appealing piece speak for itself.
**Coliseum**, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 3161), 7.30pm.

**ROGER MAYNE:** First famous — and on occasion notorious — for his photographs of street life in London's slums during the 1950s, Mayne has continued quietly to develop and articulate his own personal vision of the world around him. For this show some previously unseen vintage prints have been unearthed from his files. What now strikes one about the early work is that for all the documentary force of the Southam Street pictures, reality is selected and shaped with a rigorous eye for composition.
**Zelda Cheatle Gallery**, 8 Cecil Court, WC2 (071-836 0506). Tues-Sat, 10am-6pm, until January 22.

**PAULA REGO:** In her recent paintings and graphics Paula Rego has continued to explore the borderline between the superficial cuteness of the fairy-tale and the sinister vision of the world which generally lies just beneath the surface. The centrepiece of this new exhibition consists of work inspired by a commission to illustrate *Peter Pan* for the Folio Society. Other pictorial stories include some from Rigo's native Portugal, dredged from her unconscious on a recent visit.
**Marlborough Fine Art**, 6 Albemarle Street, W1 (071-629 5161). Mon-Fri, 10am-5.30pm, Sat, 10am-12.30pm, until January 30.

**RETREAT FROM MOSCOW:** Barry Stanton and Michael N Harbour in Don Taylor's latest, billed as a tragi-comedy, about an English classicist, a Russian exile and a bulging suitcase.
**New End**, 27 New End, NW3 (071-794 0022). Previews tonight, tomorrow, 7.30pm; opens Thurs, 7.30pm; then eves, 7.30pm, mat Sun, 4pm.

**WAITING AT THE WATER'S EDGE:** Moving between the coasts of Harlech and Nova Scotia two women search for what is missing in their lives. Polly Teale directs a new play by Lucinda Coxon.
**Bush**, Shepherds Bush Green, W12 (081-743 3388). Previews from tonight, 8pm; opens Fri, 7pm; then Mon-Sat, 8pm, until January 30.

**RALPH KIRSHBAUM:** The distinguished Texas-born cellist performs the complete Bach cello suites, as he did at the same venue in December 1986 and January 1987.
**Wigmore Hall**, Wigmore Street, W1 (071-935 2141), 7.30pm.

### REGIONAL

**LEICESTER:** Julia Bardsley directs a cast of four adults and three children in *Frankenstein*, the Gothic tale that spawned a thousand movies (from 12-years upwards).
**Haymarket Studio**, Belgrave Gate (0533 539797). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed and Sat, various times.

**MANCHESTER:** *The Moonstone*, the first-ever detective story, with plenty of suspects, including Indian jugglers (circus tricks provided) and Helen Atkinson Wood as the owner of the missing jewel.
**Royal Exchange**, St Ann's Square (061-833 9833). Mon-Thurs, 7.30pm, Fri and Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 2.30pm and Sat, 4pm.

**OXFORD:** Daydreaming Princess Foolina and mischievous Tom Fool in *Fooling About*, by the team who produced last year's delightful *Magic Storybook*.
**Playhouse**, Beaumont Street (0865 798600). Variously at 2pm and 7pm

**WAKEFIELD:** A major show of sculptures in the open air by the Polish/Italian sculptor Igor Mitoraj, some of them, like the fountain for Milan, gigantic.
**Yorkshire Sculpture Park**, Bretton Hall, West Bretton (0924 830579). Daily, 10am-6pm, until spring 1993.

## THEATRE GUIDE

**Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London**

■ House full, returns only
◪ Some seats available
☐ Seats at all prices

☐ **ANNIE GET YOUR GUN:** Irving Berlin's pre-feminist musical is no model for a Nineties woman but the songs are simply smashing.
**Prince of Wales**, Coventry Street, W1 (071-839 5987). Tues-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Thurs, Sat, Sun, 3pm. Final week.

◪ **ASSASSINS:** Sondheim's sharp and successful musical explores the impulse that drives no-hopers to kill American Presidents.
**Donmar Warehouse**, Earlham Street, WC2 (071-867 1150). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Thurs, Sat, 3pm. 105mins. Final week.

☐ **BARNUM:** Enjoyable Christmas treat, with Paul Nicholas walking the high wire. Bouncy numbers by Cy Coleman and Michael Stewart.
**Dominion**, Tottenham Court Road, W1 (071-580 8845). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 3pm. 140mins.

■ **CAROUSEL:** Joanna Riding and Michael Hayden star in a triumphant revival of the fairground musical.
**National (Lyttelton)**, South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Tues, Sat, 2.15pm. 180mins.

☐ **THE COMEDY OF ERRORS:** Ian Judge's sublimely funny production, with award-winning Desmond Barrit playing both portly twins.
**Barbican**, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, 7.15pm. 145mins

☐ **CYRANO DE BERGERAC:** Robert Lindsay looks right as the nasally challenged hero but the production is too bustling to give enough room to the full poignancy of his fate.
**Theatre Royal**, Haymarket, SW1 (071-930 8800). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 2.30pm, 180mins.

☐ **HAY FEVER:** Very funny performances (not always where you expect) in Coward's excellent comedy.
**Albery**, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats, Thurs, Sat, 3pm. 150mins.

☐ **IT RUNS IN THE FAMILY:** Larks in the hospital common room: Ray Cooney farce with lots of laughs.
**Playhouse**, Northumberland Avenue, WC2 (071-839 4401). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.30pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 5.30pm. 135mins

☐ **AN IDEAL HUSBAND:** Anna Carteret, Hannah Gordon and Martin Shaw in Wilde's "insider dealing" melodrama. Some dated assumptions but stylishly done.
**Globe**, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5065). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm. 165mins.

☐ **KISS OF THE SPIDER WOMAN:** Tremendously glossy production of the Kander & Ebb musical. It coarsens the values of Manuel Puig's novel but Chita Rivera makes a striking vamp.
**Shaftesbury**, Shaftesbury Avenue, WC2 (071-379 5399). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, Sat, 3pm. 160mins.

☐ **LOST IN YONKERS:** Terrific performance by Rosemary Harris in a Neil Simon comedy more weighty than usual. Maureen Lipman gives good value as a loopy aunt.
**Strand**, Aldwych, WC2 (071-930 8800). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. 160mins.

☐ **MISERY:** Sharon Gless and Bill Paterson in American *grand guignol*: good characterisation for Stephen King addicts.
**Criterion**, Piccadilly Circus, W1 (071-839 4488). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 4pm. 150mins.

☐ **OUR SONG:** Peter O'Toole in Keith Waterhouse's play about a menopausal male's infatuation with a young woman. Neatly done though we only hear the man's point of view.
**Apollo**, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5070). Mon-Fri, 8.15pm, Sat, 6pm and 8.45pm. 135mins.

☐ **PINCHY KOBI AND THE SEVEN DUPPIES:** The eight black actors of The Posse in a marvellously inventive variation on the Scrooge story.
**Tricycle**, 269 Kilburn High Road, NW6 (071-328 1000). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm. 130mins.

☐ **RETURN TO THE FORBIDDEN PLANET:** "The Tempest" plus "Forbidden Planet" plus marvellous rock 'n' roll classics. Insanely tacky, cheering stuff.
**Cambridge**, Earlham Street, WC2 (071-379 5299). Mon-Thurs, 8pm, Fri, Sat, 5pm and 8.30pm. Final week.

☐ **THREE BIRDS ALIGHTING ON A FIELD:** Harriet Walter perfect again in revival of this subtle, comic state-of-the-nation play, set in a world of shifting values and plummeting art-prices.
**Royal Court**, Sloane Square, SW1 (071-730 1745). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm. 150mins. Final week.

☐ **TRAVELS WITH MY AUNT:** Simon Cadell, John Wells, Richard Kane, Christopher Gee play all 26 parts in Giles Havergal's marvellous adaptation of Graham Greene's novel.
**Wyndham's**, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1116). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.15pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm. 140mins.

☐ **TRELAWNY OF THE "WELLS":** Pinero's comedy about theatre folk in mid-Victorian London. Successful only in parts and the minor parts at that. Stars Michael Hordern and Sarah Brightman.
**Comedy**, Panton Street, SW1 (071-867 1045). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. 150mins.

**LONG RUNNERS:** ☐ **Blood Brothers:** Phoenix (071-867 1044) ... ☐ **Buddy:** Victoria Palace (071-834 1317) ... ☐ **Carmen Jones:** Old Vic (071-928 7616) ... ☐ **Cats:** New London (071-405 0072) ... ☐ **The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged):** Arts Theatre (071-836 2132) ... ☐ **Dancing at Lughnasa:** Garrick (071-494 5085) ☐ **Don't Dress for Dinner:** Duchess (071-494 5070) ... ☐ **Five Guys Named Moe:** Lyric (071-494 5045) ☐ **From a Jack to a King:** Ambassadors (071-836 6111) ◪ **Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat:** Palladium (071-494 5037) ... ☐ **Me and My Girl:** Adelphi (071-836 7611) ... ◪ **Les Misérables:** Palace (071-434 0909) ... ◪ **Miss Saigon:** Theatre Royal, Drury Lane (071-494 5400) ... ☐ **The Mousetrap:** St Martin's (071-836 1443) ... ■ **The Phantom of the Opera:** Her Majesty's (071-494 5400) ... ☐ **Starlight Express:** Apollo Victoria (071-828 8665) ... ◪ **The Woman in Black:** Fortune (071-836 2238).

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## CINEMA GUIDE

**Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country**

### NEW RELEASES

◆ **A FEW GOOD MEN** (15): Cocky naval lawyer (Tom Cruise) defends marines accused of murder. Devilishly seductive courtroom drama starring Demi Moore, Jack Nicholson; director, Rob Reiner.
**Camden Parkway** (071-267 7034) **MGM Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **Notting Hill Coronet** (071-727 6705) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **West End** (0426 915574).

**LABYRINTH OF PASSION:** Tiresome melodrama with sex-crazed girls, an Arab princeling and budgerigars. Raw juvenilia from Pedro Almodóvar, with Cecilia Roth. Made in 1982.
**Metro** (071-437 0757)

**TOUS LES MATINS DU MONDE** (12): Wonderful, melancholy portrait of French Baroque musicians Sainte-Colombe (Jean-Pierre Marielle) and his pupil Marin Marais (Gérard and Guillaume Depardieu). Also starring Anne Brochet, director, Alain Corneau.
**Curzon Mayfair** (071-465 8865) **Gate** (071-727 4043) **Screen on the Hill** (071-435 3366).

**A WINTER'S TALE** (12): A Paris hairdresser's quest for true love. Eric Rohmer near his best, elegant, clear-eyed, realistic and laced with magic. Stars Charlotte Very.
**Chelsea** (071-351 3742/3743) **Renoir** (071-837 8402)

### CURRENT

◆ **BEAUTY AND THE BEAST** (U): Sumptuous Disney cartoon fairy-tale, blessed with skilled animation and attractive songs that might have sprung from a Broadway musical. Directors, Gary Trousdale, Kirk Wise.
**Barbican** (071-638 8891) **Curzon West End** (071-439 4805) **MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Mezzanine** (0426 915683) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).

◆ **THE BODYGUARD** (15): Kevin Costner as the bodyguard who falls for his showbiz charge (Whitney Houston). Jumbled drama. Director, Mick Jackson.
**Empire** (071-497 9999) **MGM Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **MGM Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Screen on the Green** (071-226 3520) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

**CHAPLIN** (12): A skilled impersonation by Robert Downey Jr., but Richard Attenborough's bitty biographical epic never penetrates far inside the man or his career.
**Odeon Leicester Square** (0426 915683)

◆ **THE CRYING GAME** (18): IRA gunman becomes obsessed with a hostage's girlfriend. Bold, powerful Neil Jordan film
**Curzon Phoenix** (071-240 9661) **MGM Panton Street** (071-930 0631).

◆ **DEATH BECOMES HER** (PG): Meryl Streep and Goldie Hawn battle to attain eternal youth. Ice-cold black comedy, ultimately swamped by special effects. Stars Bruce Willis; director, Robert Zemeckis.
**Empire** (071-497 9999) **MGM Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **MGM Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).

◆ **HOME ALONE 2: LOST IN NEW YORK** (PG): More of the same, with extra crudity. Director, Chris Columbus.
**Barbican** (071-638 8891) **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Marble Arch** (0426 914501) **West End** (0426 915574) **Plaza** (071-497 9999) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).

**INTO THE WEST** (PG): Two gypsy children ride a mysterious white horse into western Ireland. Wayward but engaging; good for older children. Stars Gabriel Byrne, Ellen Barkin. Director, Mike Newell.
**Odeon Haymarket** (0426 915353).

◆ **THE MUPPET CHRISTMAS CAROL** (U): Successful blend of Dickens's story with Muppet madness. Starring Michael Caine as Scrooge. Director, Brian Henson.
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**SLACKER** (15): College-age layabouts in Austin, Texas, vent crazy thoughts on life, the Smurfs and UFOs. Striking debut by film-maker Richard Linklater, with an amateur cast
**Metro** (071-437 0757).

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## GALLERIES: A visit to Edinburgh offers a taste of Italian sunshine in the British winter



**Local view: Piranesi's Veduta del Ponte Salario. From Ecco Roma: European Artists in the Eternal City, at the National Gallery of Scotland**

# Roman candles in Auld Reekie

**In Edinburgh, John Russell Taylor reviews some exhibitions that explore Scotland's long-established links with continental Europe, in particular Italy**

Scotland must indeed be, as it is constantly telling England, the most internationally minded part of the United Kingdom. We all know about the Auld Alliance, but there seem to have been an amazing number of oldish alliances around in Scottish history, if exhibitions are anything to go by. The last Edinburgh Festival propounded a long special relationship with The Netherlands, in artistic matters at least. Any number of Scottish artists seem to have headed for Spain as soon as they had a chance to travel. And now, partly at least to celebrate the recent meeting of the European Council in Edinburgh, it is the turn of Italy to be shown in a specifically Scottish perspective.

The show in question, **Ecco Roma** at the National Gallery of Scotland, celebrates at one level the gallery's perspicacity in acquiring so many extraordinary works one way or another connected with Rome. Rome was of course a required stop on even the speediest of Grand Tours, and many of the Scots gentry duly visited, had their portraits painted there, and bought landscapes and religiously or classically inspired pictures to remind themselves and demonstrate to others that they had been. Most of the more spectacular Italian portraits of Scots belong to other collections, but there are splendid examples of Scottish artists moved to self-portraiture by the mere fact of being in Rome: Gavin Hamilton and John Runciman are finely represented in this way.

Naturally, Scottish artists did not go all the way to Rome simply for the pleasure of painting themselves. We can find out what David Allan looked like at the time from Domenico Corri's 1774 portrait of him, soulfully drawing from a cast of the Borghese Warrior, but if we want to know what else he did, there is an expressive drawn view from the Capitol, as well as more basic glimpses of Roman street life.

Wilkie, rather later, was fascinated by the exotic spectacle of the Confessional Pilgrims in St Peter's in 1825. Earlier Scots on the spot tended as far as possible to steer clear of popery, going more frequently either for the safely classical, like Gavin Hamilton's *Andromache Bewailing the Death of Hector*, or to settle for landscapes with a secular, archaeological twist.



**Street life view: Roman Coffee House, by the Scottish painter David Allan, 1744-1796**

Not that Scots were the only foreign visitors and students in Rome. The English are grandly present with Turner's *Modern Rome, Campo Vacino*, and more intimately with Palmer's *Rome from above Santo Spirito*, one of the watercolours he painted on his honeymoon in 1837. Looking further afield (and incidentally affirming the European context of the show), there are insights into how a visit to Rome struck artists as diverse as Jan Brueghel the Elder, Poussin, Claude, Hubert Robert, Elsheimer and Paul Bril.

Given this multiplicity of talent and background, it might be revealing to observe a great variety of response to the same basic material. In fact, that does not seem to occur: clearly the image of the Eternal City has been so powerful and consistent as long as artists have been going there to learn and work that, despite considerable differences of technique, there remains little doubt that all these disparate eyes are seeing essentially the same thing.

Nor do native Italians seem to be perceptibly different. Stefano della Bella, Giovanni Paolo Pannini and even Piranesi, when he is primarily recording, project much the same view: indeed the drawing by Piranesi of the Piazza of St Peter's was acquired as a Piranesi, reattributed to Claude and has finally been restored to Piranesi again. The most imaginative extension of the Roman image is also a Piranesi, however: seen in this context, a fine wash drawing from the *Carceri* series takes on new, specifically local overtones.

One of the latest works in the show is also by a Scottish artist resident in Rome, the *Via de' Sugherari* by Robert Macpherson, which dates probably from the 1850s or 1860s. Macpherson was a fringe figure who trained as a surgeon, then went out to Rome, started to paint there and is remembered now chiefly as discoverer of the Michelangelo *Entombment*, which he sold to the National Gallery in London.

He was also one of the first artists to make the transition from paint to photography, and the work in this show is one of his photographs. It is recorded that by 1863 in his shop near the Piazza Di Spagna he had 305 different photographic images on sale at one scudo each, as tourist mementoes or artists' aids.

The other Italian-based show in Edinburgh at present, **The Stones of Venice** at the National Portrait Gallery, takes up that particular story again in a different location. It evokes one of the Anglo-Italian passions most important in the history of art. Ruskin's obsession with Venice and Venetian architecture, through an expressive combination of Ruskin's words on the subject with photographs by two of the finest Italian photographers of the day, Carlo Ponti and Carlo Naya.

Ruskin himself valued the daguerreotype as a means of record at least, and had many taken himself, apparently by his manservant John Hobbs under his direction. In *The Stones of Venice* he wrote: "I much regret that artists in general do not think it worth their while to perpetuate some of the beautiful effects which the daguerreotype alone can seize." The photographs of Ponti and Naya are more explicit, but the magic is intact.

Also at the National Portrait Gallery is **Scotland Observed**, which reflects a decade of collecting Scottish life and art connected with Scotland by the National Galleries. Again the point is made about the international connections of Scotland: we can see the 18th-century connoisseur Lord Fortrose listening to a chamber concert in his Naples home (viola player Sir William Hamilton) in a painting by Pietro Fabris, or admire the Baroque extravagance of Rysbrack's design for a monument to the second Duke of Argyll.

We also have examples of Scottish art which had important international repercussions, such as the elegant white Art Nouveau bookcase by Charles Rennie Mackintosh, and Scottish art which records Scottish achievement of international note, such as James Eckford Lauder's painting *James Watt and the Steam Engine: The Dawn of the Nineteenth Century* (1855). There are even, perhaps needlessly to say, contemporary photographs specially commissioned by the National Portrait Gallery itself.

● Ecco Roma: *National Gallery of Scotland, The Mound, Edinburgh (031-556 8921), until Jan 31.* ● The Stones of Venice/Scotland Observed: *Scottish National Portrait Gallery, 1 Queen St, Edinburgh (031-556 8921) until March 4 and Feb 28 respectively. Both open Mon-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 2-5pm.*

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## ENTERTAINMENTS

### CINEMAS

CURZON WEST END Shaftes' Ave W1 071 439 4805 Walt Disney's BEAUTY AND THE BEAST (U) Progs at 2.05, 4.10 & 6.15 Adults £5.50 Children £2.50 OF MICE AND MEN (PG) 8.40 only

CURZON PHOENIX Phoenix St, off Charing Cross Rd. 071 867 1044 Stephen Rea, Miranda Richardson in THE CRYING GAME (18) Progs at 1.10 (not Sun), 3.30, 6.00 & 8.20

CURZON MAYFAIR Curzon St. 071 465 8865 Gerard Depardieu in TOUS LES MATINS DU MONDE (12) Progs at 1.10 (not Sun) 3.30, 6.00 & 8.25

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# Every building tells a story

**Marcus Binney** hails the 'narrative architecture' of Nigel Coates, whose work is at last being appreciated in Britain.

If London wants to amaze the world in the year 2000 the man to do it is Nigel Coates. He has the talent of being avant-garde, even outlandish, without being offensive or obscene. He combines a *fin de siècle* exoticism and decadence with an imagery that is unmistakably his own. And he has the sense of context essential for working in a historic city, without allowing it to cramp or intimidate him. His latest project *Ecstacity* attracted, while on show in Brussels, the keen interest of the Prince of Wales, who had come to open the next-door exhibition on Lutyens.

Coates explains: "One of my ambitions is to work with a whole street as an interior, not just dealing with lamp-posts or bus shelters, but making the whole street an expression of the media and information age we live in. It happens at Christmas time but could transform drab streets at any time of year." Coates insists he is not talking of filling streets, Japanese fashion, with vast parades of flashing advertisements, but using light and movement to make a street leap to life.

His manifesto is an extraordinary building in Tokyo, The Wall. This is so eye-catching, so intriguing, so startlingly different from anything else in Japan. "It has nuances of many things. New York fire escapes, scaffolding, gas holders, Palladio," says Coates. All are designed to compel you to cross the street and explore. "It's a giant check-in, with stairs stitching their way up the facade to show the whole place is open for business."

> 'In Japan, if you don't make a strong statement, you're dead'

His clients were Japanese developers, the Kaishin Sanjo company. "What they wanted was a mixture of vision and vanity. They began by showing me a photograph of the Arc de Triomphe. They wanted a building which looked as if it had been there forever yet symbolised the 21st century." Coates responded with an apparently ancient wall adapted to modern use. "It was a chance to rise to the occasion. People just don't realise how visually chaotic the Japanese city is. If you don't make a strong statement you're dead."

Coates rejects Modernism's spatial purity and simplicity of finish, and goes instead for layering, collage and suggestiveness. When he was young, he says, "I loved exploring medieval castles. I loved the sense of mystery that goes with semi-abandoned space."

The Wall is rich in these ambiguities. The colonnade in front is a flattened Victorian gasometer. The first ten feet of masonry behind consists of great blocks of stone laid diamond fashion as in ancient Japanese castles. Then comes brick artfully laid to suggest a crumbling Italian palazzo. What transforms The Wall from a stage set into a work of art is both the finish and the close collaboration with a series of artists. Says Coates, "some people say one per cent for art, with us it's more like ten per cent".

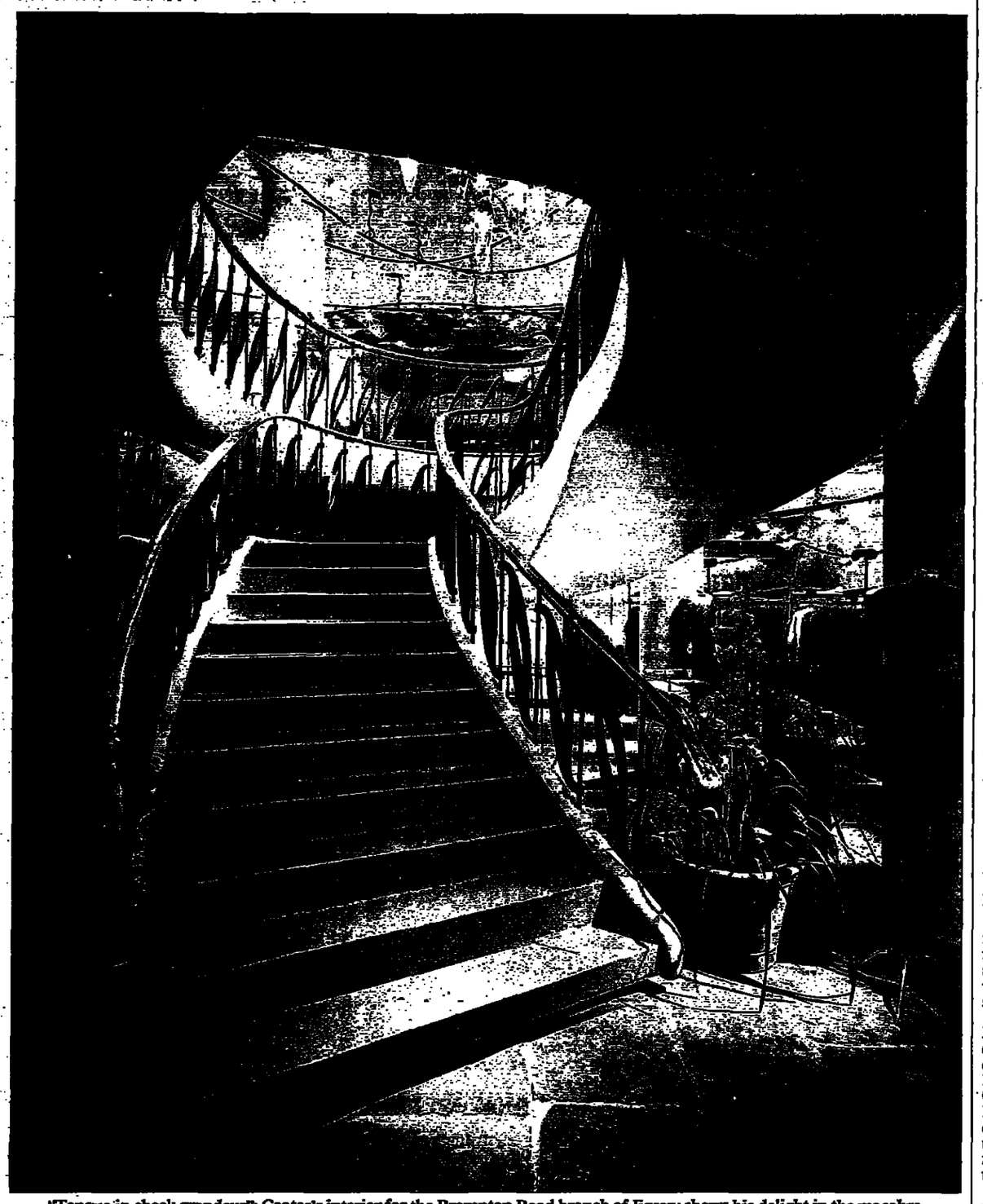
This involves risks, but he believes in giving artists as much freedom as possible. He insists that he keeps a tight control on costs. "We spend our budgets with great care. Otherwise we could never achieve such complexity. Look closely and you will see the bronze statues on top of the columns in front of The Wall are only half-figures," he continues. All adding to the enigma and sense of metamorphosis that is his trademark.

Coates's runaway success in Japan contrasts starkly with his early years in London. Not a commission was forthcoming and it was only publication of his own apartment, in a Japanese magazine, that at last won him a job in Tokyo. Until then he had lived from teaching, facing controversy when the external examiners, the late Sir James Stirling and Edward Jones, failed all his nine diploma students at the Architectural Association. Where, they asked, were the plans, the sections, the working drawings? Uproar ensued, and a new panel, including Sir Richard Rogers, passed the students. Led by Coates they formed a new radical group, NATO (for Narrative Architecture Today) which stands for Coates's belief that actual function should be doubled in every project by a narrative one.

The interest in layers of meaning can be traced in part to a year-long study Coates made of Italian gardens and their relation to theatre. Anyone wanting a truly novel but beautifully crafted folly or grotto might turn to Coates. "I'm like a set designer in many ways, believing that anything required can be made. If you want a vast head on stage, you damn well find a way of making it."

Other Japanese projects have been the Noah's Ark restaurant in Sapporo. "It looks totally ancient, half carved, half weathered out of existing rock," says Coates. In the once prosperous port of Otaru, now more of a resort, he created a hotel out of a bank, with a columned dining room reminiscent of the Grand Saloon of an Edwardian ocean liner, except for the startlingly modern furniture, including dangerous-looking arrowhead tables. In the rooms a standard kit of furniture evoked eight different ports and was varied so no two were alike. More than 30 British artists and craftworkers contributed, with six of them working on site.

In Britain he has erupted on the high streets of Glasgow and London with stores for Katharine Hamnett. Here is an element of Gaudi, with sinuous walls and ceilings merging to suggest an underwater cave. The fascination lies in the complete absence of standardised fittings. The lighting track is wired to telegraph pole coils. The mirror is transformed into a glass sculpture. The sofa echoes one of Dali's modelled on Mae West's lips.



"Tongue-in-cheek grandeur": Coates's interior for the Brompton Road branch of Jigsaw shows his delight in the macabre

At Jigsaw round the corner in Brompton Road there is more of what he calls "tongue-in-cheek" grandeur. He delights in the faintly macabre: in the changing rooms you hang clothes on meathooks. However, he insists he is against controlling every detail personally. "That's why I make constant use of artists," he says.

Coates also has an original line in classical architecture. For a housing competition on the Thames at Millbank, he took his inspiration from the dramatic curving colonnade at the back of Palladio's famous theatre in Vicenza. Coates's riverfront was a giant version of the colonnade with five tiers of apartments looking out from deep balconies behind the columns, which carried huge statues on top.

Currently his biggest commission is for a large new restaurant and bar at Amsterdam's Schipol airport. "So many airports are bland. They wanted people to positively remember going there," he says. He is also working on a new gallery for the Geffrye Museum in London.

While much of his work has been shops, nightclubs and restaurants, recently he was one of six competitors asked to design an eyecatching new showroom and offices on the road into Edinburgh from the airport. Coates designed a waving wall like a continuous prism, made of triangular sheets of glass.

"There is a poverty of gutsy ideas for buildings on fast roads around cities. We know there are going to be more buildings on the edge of cities and we know they're going to be large," he says. Here is a man who should certainly be a candidate for the design of the new Museum of Modern Art proposed by the Tate Gallery trustees.

CONCERT

# Sounds for all seasons

This was billed as *Ein Deutsches Weihnachten*; but Robert King's generous festive baroque entertainment turned out to be even more expansive in its terms of reference this year. By the end of the evening at the Wigmore Hall, his King's Consort of instrumentalists and singers had made two musical excursions to England and catapulted its audience into the darkest heart of Passiontide.

Even the two substantial works by Bach, which vindicated the concert's title, looked forward to Epiphany. The cantata "Jesus schläft, was soll ich hoffen" was written for the fourth Sunday after Epiphany in Leipzig. Its devotional meditation leaps swiftly from Christ the child, safely guiding the Wise Men, to Christ calming the storm at sea: both become images for the Christian soul seeking shelter in life's tempest.

All these overlapping levels of perception came to vivid life in this performance. From the first bars of the Sinfonia to Cantata 42, King, directing from the chamber organ, set up the fluent and fluid phrasing which is so characteristic of his music making, and which always focuses on the essential quality of the movement behind and beyond its rhythmic articulation.

Here, a dark, instrumental undertow, with thick body colour from cello and archlute continuo, shifted to Charles Daniels's tenor aria. The two violins, throwing up a seaspray of figuration from its troubled waters, were at last stilled by the "Jesu meine Freude" chorale.

Part Five of the *Christmas Oratorio*, too, looks to Epiphany, again telescoping time by juxtaposing the historical narration of Herod's troubled anticipation with a personal reflection on the eternal presence of Christ. King seemed to be challenging time itself in the rapid, bubbling opening chorus: no earthly hymn of praise, this, but a patterning of sprung instrumental and vocal rhythms which seemed to live purely in the air.

All the evening's soloists were heard here: James Bowman, whose outstandingly expressive Buxtehude litany, "Jesu, meine Freud und Lust", had opened the evening; Charles Daniels as Evangelist; Michael George, his bass chasing oboe and continuo in his aria; and the sweet soprano of Angela Kazimierczuk, making her debut with the Consort.

With an unashamed eye to warming up for the week's forthcoming recording sessions, King turned to some unscheduled Purcell both halfway through the first half and as an encore. Nobody could or would complain. With stream upon stream of Purcell's delayed harmonic resolutions, with sweetly inflected string playing, and with the trebles of Nicholas Witcomb and Jerome Finnis, both the Lamentations of Jeremiah and "I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord" provided revelatory perspectives on the entire evening.

HILARY FINCH

# A good deal depends on talent

CINEMA: **Oscar Moore** meets Stephen Evans, whose financial skills have played a vital role in Kenneth Branagh's success

Stephen Evans has a shaggy dog story about how he and Kenneth Branagh got together that involves a lot of vintage Bollinger, a wrong address in Eaton Terrace, several telephone calls, a beautiful woman and a chauffeur-driven car. That was, of course, all before the crash of 1987, when, as Evans puts it: "there was a lot of dough around". The result of the meeting was that Evans agreed to help Branagh finance the stage productions of his nascent Renaissance Theatre Company, and then put together the financing for the film of Shakespeare's *Henry V*.

But while the crash destroyed many of Evans's contemporaries, he and his relationship with Branagh have survived and prospered. Renaissance Films' *Peter's Friends* dodged critical sniping to top the London chart on its first week of release, and became the third most successful British film of 1992, just behind *The Lawnmower Man* and *Howards End*. Meanwhile *Much Ado About Nothing*, starring Keanu Reeves, Michael Keaton and Denzel Washington, completed filming last August and is currently in post-production. Both films, directed by Kenneth Branagh, have Evans as executive producer.



Renaissance men: Stephen Evans, Kenneth Branagh and chief executive Paul Russell

Conversations with Evans turn into a diary of meetings with names, either household or power-broking. The day we meet he is having supper with Alan Rickman, is developing a project with Simon Callow and has commissioned Claire MacIntyre to adapt her Royal Court hit *My Heart's a Suitcase* as a low-budget film starring Frances Barber. It is a litany of rendezvous, lunches and quick drinks that would leave most people dyspeptic. But Evans has already started operating on new, non-Renaissance fronts. The MacIntyre project and two others that have not been confirmed are "in development" with Ileen Maisel, the erstwhile head of Paramount Pictures' UK offshoot.

"The trouble is I'm only doing it part-time," he complains. "I need to move into it full-time." It, being the British film industry, had better get ready for the full-time Evans. In a business built on networking, Evans is a lightning conductor, and, critically, he passes between the creatives whose talents and company he revels in, and the financiers, whose intricacies and needs he knows intimately.

Nobody disputes Evans's head for a deal. This is the man who found financing (and distribution in America) for *Henry V* and *Much Ado* at a time when Arnold Schwarzenegger and Sylvester Stallone were the box-office ascendants. But whatever his connections, Evans will not simply connect on cue. Some in the film industry still see him as a sort of direct conduit to City pockets, sending him scripts with little demands for £2.5 million attached, but Evans is not prepared to be used simply as a freelance fundraiser.

As he moves towards a full-time role as executive producer, Evans is devising his own system for development financing, but expects the industry, such as it is, to provide the production monies. "I am trying to use individuals only in development now. Let's say we need a fund of £250,000, and we are going to develop five projects. So 25 people put up £10,000 and if it works they get their money back plus probably 150 per cent."

For the films' final budgets, however, Evans is turning to the "end-user", the distributor, the television channel, the video company. Already, the US specialist distributor Samuel Goldwyn Jr is a key partner. The American distributor of *Henry V* has come on board as US distributor and sales agent for both *Peter's Friends* and *Much Ado*, selling the films to international distributors from Brazil to Japan.

"The British film industry inevitably, like America, has to be producer-led, and since it is now a European market it has to be European producer-led. So, if I have not got a relationship with RAI in Italy, or I cannot do some pick-up deal with Canal Plus in France, or a tax deal with a bunch of Austrian investors, then I am going to find this great script which I think is going to work and I am not going to be able to package it."

And what about the British film industry? "We have a producer problem in this country, and a senior executive problem," Evans explains. As for creativity, "the mainstream companies have been badly run," he believes. "It is not so much that they have been run by accountants, because some accountants can be creative, but they haven't seen the fullness of the picture. Rank and Thorn EMI have a lot of the blame to be put on them for the state of the industry."

DANCE

# Dream of a debut

When I tipped Royal Ballet first soloist Leanne Benjamin as likely to make a mark in 1993, I had no idea how quickly she would set about it. My expectation was that she would do something special with one of the big, dramatic roles, but I could not guess how she would transform Titania in Ashton's *The Dream*.

At her debut on Saturday afternoon at Covent Garden the character suddenly acquired a new capriciousness, humour and sexiness (or had those qualities restored which had somehow been lost in recent revivals). The timing, mainly, is what does the trick: an arm movement prolonged, a motion of the foot first held back then accelerated.

Her facial expressiveness, too, is always warm and vivid: and, of course, the relationship with her partner. In this respect, the comic but positively steamy ardour of her duet with Iain Webb as Bottom in his ass transformation was more consistently successful than her dealings with Tetsuya Kumakawa's Oberon. Their reconciliation looked more like going through the gestures.

William Trevitt, another new Oberon, at the previous performance, is more the physical type in the role, but he seems to need more help in giving dramatic roles the same clarity that he brings to a pure dance performance. He performed opposite an unexpectedly conventional Titania from Viviana Durante, with Luke Heydon as a drolly expressive Bottom.

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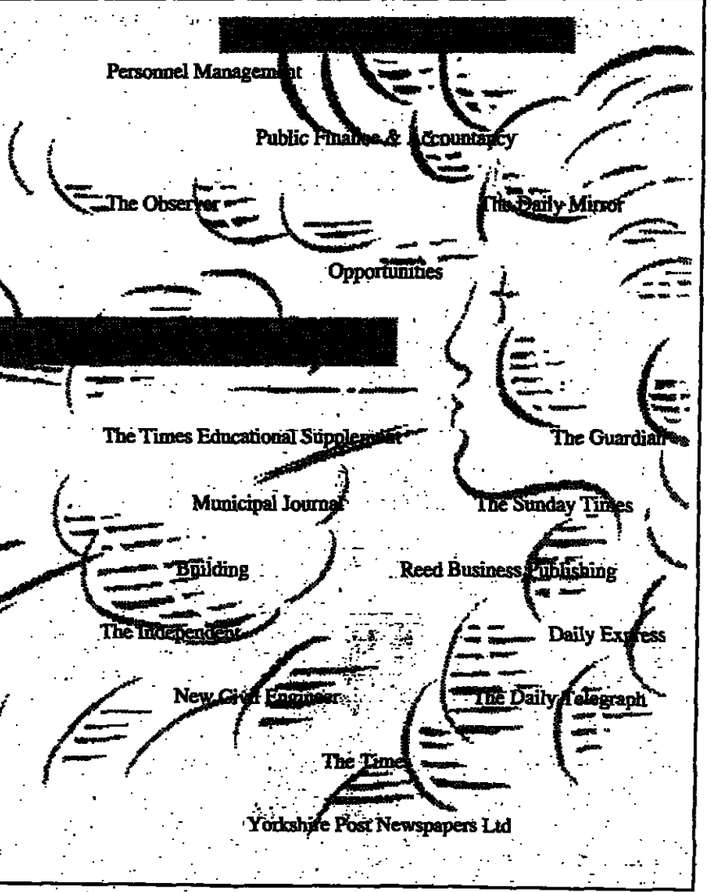
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# LAW

SIMON TOWNSLEY



No place like home: the young sleep rough in Kingsway in the heart of the capital. Is the law actually helping to get them off the streets?

## Hidden face of a crisis

**Legislation aimed at tackling homelessness is actually causing problems, argues David Cowan**

Shortly before Christmas, the extent of the homelessness crisis was revealed in new government statistics. Last September, just over 143,000 families were accepted as homeless by local authorities, while the number of households accepted as homeless but given temporary accommodation was at a record 65,230.

The figures underline the increasing struggle that faces not only the homeless applicant for accommodation but also the local authorities that have to administer it.

The legislation is now enshrined in the Housing Act 1985, Part III (as amended), which has three key concepts: if someone is unintentionally homeless or threatened with homelessness and has a priority need, the local authority to which he or she applies must provide suitable permanent housing, unless he has a local connection with another authority. The duties are lesser if the applicant is intentionally homeless or does not have a priority need.

At first glance, the legislation seems reasonable in that it provides a basis on which local authorities can filter out some applicants and give priority to those in greater need of help. Yet it is the legislation itself that is the cause of many of the problems.

The figures on which the official statistics are worked out on homelessness concern those families who apply to local authorities for housing. Yet many homeless people never get to this stage

Research carried out by Rosy Thornton, author of *The New Homeless* (published by SHAC, the London Housing Advice Centre), shows that many young people who might be homeless never apply to local authorities for help, partly because of ignorance and partly because they know they will not have priority. This applies equally to older people. So the problem is almost impossible to quantify.

The second difficulty lies in the terminology used by the act. A person can be told, for example, they are intentionally homeless if they have built up rent arrears, whatever the reason; or they might be told that they are intentionally homeless if they have been threatened with eviction and have left the accommodation before an eviction notice has been delivered because they might have challenged the notice. Both seem ridiculous to lay people and applicants.

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The size of the problem is linked to the width of discretion that the act gives to local authorities in deciding on a general policy or a specific case. This has led to inconsistencies in the application of the legislation but is based practically on the limited amount of housing available as against the large number of applicants for accommodation.

Still the best example of this is the way in which local authorities treat those applicants with HIV. Empirical research I have carried out in London shows that some local authorities accord priority to applicants based on the Aids-associated-virus itself, whereas others do not. The simple answer for applicants is to tailor their application to the local authority most likely to give them "the best deal".

That local authority may then use the local connection provisions to transfer the applicant to the local authority to which they perhaps should have applied in the first place (the second authority is unable to challenge the first authority's finding). Of course, this inherently favours those with the best advice and thus runs contrary to any interpretation of the ideals of the welfare state and the legislation itself.

The overall effect of these and other problems in the legislation show that in reality it was made to cope with a problem which has developed into a crisis, making urgent reform crucial. Indeed, government policy in the past has tended to exacerbate the problem. Last year, the statistics show that 13,434 new homes were built by local authorities together with 11,743 by housing associations. Therefore, the recent £750 million allocated to revitalise the social housing sector, which will provide for about 20,000 new homes, is to be welcomed.

Yet this is not enough, although the crumbs will be gratefully picked up. Revitalisation of the private rental market may also have had an adverse effect on the poorest end of the market.

The substitution of market rent for, as it was, fair rent, and the change in the security of tenure provisions in the Housing Act 1988 may well have caused a "filtering-up" process. The revitalisation has occurred but its concomitant is increased rental values. In 1990, the Nottinghamshire branch of Shelter reported that the average rents in Nottingham increased by 37 per cent over the previous year, to between £60 and £90 a week.

The government's approach, as in its "Review of the Homelessness Legislation" (Department of Environment, 1989), also engenders a laisser faire attitude. It argues that "self-reliance" and "personal responsibility" militated against any law reform in this country. This negative stance is a poor reflection of the workload of local authorities and the uphill battle of applicants and potential applicants.

Positive action can be taken, though. Information supplied to me from Germany by the social welfare department in Hamburg shows a completely different method of tackling the situation. Britain concentrates on the problems by finding new accommodation for people.

On the other hand, German research showed that prevention was 7.2 times cheaper than the "cure".

Clearly, this has benefits for all concerned — such as reducing the stress for the applicant as well as for local authority caseworkers. This is not a complete solution — if one exists — but at least it is positive.

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## Testing the reach of the Jockey Club reins



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WHEN the Aga Khan's horse, Aliysa, won the Oaks at Epsom in 1989, a prohibited substance was found in the filly's urine. The Jockey Club disqualified her. Last month, the Court of Appeal ruled that such a Jockey Club decision is not subject to challenge in the courts through judicial review, irrespective of any merits which there may be in the Aga Khan's complaint that he was unfairly treated.

Such a narrow approach to the powers of the courts is an unwarranted restriction on the development of this important jurisdiction. A.J.P. Taylor began his study of *English History 1914-1945* by observing that "until August 1914, a sensible, law-abiding Englishman could pass through life and hardly notice the existence of the state, beyond the post office and the policeman". As an ever-expanding number of administrative bodies has been given powers over those who live and trade here, so judicial review has developed remedies to ensure that those bodies act in a lawful, fair and reasonable manner.

Until 1986, the Divisional Court exercised this supervisory control only where the powers had been conferred by statute, statutory instrument or the royal prerogative. But in the *Datafin* case, the Court of Appeal held that the City Takeover Panel was subject to judicial review. The court accurately described the panel as a self-regulating body "without visible means of legal support". But, as the court concluded, in practice, the panel performed important public duties with the encouragement and support of government, and so should be subject to the obligations imposed by public law.

Since 1986, the courts have accepted jurisdiction over a number of other self-regulating bodies, such as the Advertising Standards Authority, and the Code of Practice Committee of the British pharmaceutical industry. The High Court has also held that disciplinary decisions of the Chief Rabbi are not subject to judicial review: the Chief Rabbi may well be subject to a higher authority, but it is not the divisional court of the Queen's Bench division. Last term, Mr Justice Popplewell refused leave to move for judicial review of a decision of the European Commission of Human Rights. He was unmoved by the creative submission that it was merely fortuitous that the commission is based in Strasbourg.

The Jockey Club case raised more difficult issues. Sir Thomas Bingham, the Master of the Rolls, accepted that the club "effectively regulates a significant national activity, exercising powers which affect the public and are exercised in the interest of the public". He agreed that "if the Jockey Club did not regulate this activity the government would probably be driven to create a public body to do so". But he concluded that the powers of the club are "in no sense governmental" and in the present context derive from the consent of the owners to be bound by the rules of racing. Therefore, judicial review does not apply. This reasoning is unconvincing. That owners consent to the club's jurisdiction is a fiction. In any effective system of self-regulation, the power of the regulator leaves the subject no practical choice but to comply. In *Datafin*, it could as accurately have been said that companies choose to comply with the rulings of the takeover panel.

The real issue is whether the Jockey Club's powers are sufficiently governmental. The appeal court's mistake was to regard this as dependent on whether those powers are already linked to primary and secondary legislation. In fact, the absence of such links tells us little about the nature of those powers, but more about Parliament's assessment of how well the Jockey Club, in general, is carrying out its role. At present, the government is willing to allow the club to regulate this area of public life.

The better touchstone of judicial review is whether, but for the existence of the club, the government *would* regulate these matters by statute or statutory instrument. Plainly it would, because of the public importance of the Jockey Club jurisdiction.

The appeal court suggested that because the Aga Khan has a contract with the Jockey Club, he may be able to sue it in private law. This is no answer. Public law has developed standards of conduct for public bodies to respect; it provides protection for those bodies (in relation to time-limits and the need for leave to bring proceedings); and the club in practice exercises powers over many people who have no contract with it.

If the Jockey Club is performing business that the government recognises would otherwise be its responsibility, the club should have public law obligations to conduct itself lawfully, fairly and reasonably. The appeal court judgment is a step backwards for public law: it fails to recognise the reality of where power resides in our society, and the need for effective legal mechanisms to control abuses of it.

● *The author is a practising barrister and a Fellow of All Souls College, Oxford.*

## Helping charities

NEW laws to make charities more efficient came into force this week. The Charities Act, the most far-reaching piece of legislation for 30 years, from January 1 disqualifies certain people — such as anyone with an "unspent" conviction for dishonesty — from acting as trustees, allows charities to dispose of land without the Charity Commission's consent, provided certain procedures are followed, and require charities with a gross annual income of more than £5,000 to state their registered status on official publications.

Thomas Eggar Verrall Bowles, a firm of West Sussex solicitors, has set up a helpline (0243 786111) offering trustees free advice on the new law. John McEvoy, of Bowles, says the guidance to trustees on their new duties can appear alarming. The aim, he says, is to "keep alive the generosity of spirit and sense of public responsibility as the main motivation for the thousands who fund-raise on behalf of others so successfully in this country".

### Boxing clever

WHAT does the pop star, Michael Jackson have in common with a boxer? From January 1, they both fall foul of Customs & Excise.

If Jackson were to perform in the United Kingdom this year, his performance fee will be subject to UK VAT. In the same way, a non-British boxer taking part in a title fight staged in the UK will find that his share of the purse will be subject to VAT. The reason is that their services will from January 1 be deemed to take place in the UK and so qualify for VAT. Before, that was the case only if the entertainer or sports person had a place of business in the UK.

Martin Lynchehan, of Richards Butler's tax group, says the new rules — which affect cultural, artistic, sporting, scientific, educational and entertainment services — have been little-publicised.

Compliance should not cause a tax cost because UK promoters will be able to recover the VAT that the non-UK performers have to charge. Failure to comply with the rules could lead to performers incurring penalties with interest.




### Sitting safely?

WORKERS — whether sitting at a VDU in offices or manually handling heavy loads in factories — now have much greater protection under health and safety laws from new regulations which came into force on January 1. Thompsons, a firm of trade union lawyers, has welcomed the regulations, brought in to comply with European directives.

Colin Ettinger of Thompsons says there are omissions. "The regulations have not completely implemented the full force of the directives in some cases," he says. He adds that the "inadequate" number of health and safety inspectors raises doubts about whether full compliance can be achieved.

### Australian shock

CHRISTMAS was a muted affair for the Australian Bar. The turkey and Christmas pudding were ignored as barristers digested the announcement by John Fahey, the New South Wales premier, that the state would appoint no more Queen's Counsels.

According to the *International Financial Law Review*, Mr Fahey says the position of QCs is an "anachronism" that only increases costs for litigants.

### Scottish lead

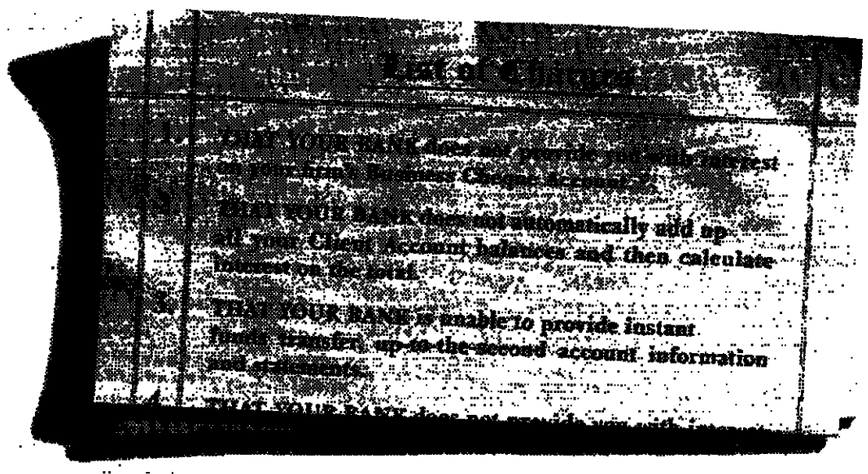
FAMILY law in Scotland is likely to move ahead of English law if recent recommendations by the Scottish Law Commission are translated into legislation. As well as its widely publicised recommendation that beating children should be outlawed, it has surpassed some of the ground-breaking provisions of the Children Act 1989.

For example, it has suggested that parental responsibility should automatically vest in the unmarried father — in England it is acquired by agreement or court order — and it has suggested a definition of the duties involved in parental responsibility, which is absent from the Children Act.

The commission has also endorsed a statutory basis for cohabitation contracts whose status under English law is uncertain, and the introduction of "financial adjustment" orders between unmarried couples. In England, an unmarried partner has no recourse after separation.

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## INNS AND OUTS

### Houston Oilers lose grip on 32-point advantage as rivals launch remarkable recovery

# Buffalo Bills gallop to record comeback

BY ROBERT KIRLEY

THE Buffalo Bills produced the most stunning comeback in National Football League history to beat the Houston Oilers in overtime, and the Philadelphia Eagles staged a superb fightback of their own to defeat the New Orleans Saints in wild-card play-off games on Sunday.

Frank Reich completed four touchdown passes and Steve Christie kicked a 32-yard field goal in the Bills' 41-38 sudden-death win. Buffalo had been 32 points adrift in the American Football Conference (AFC) game. The Eagles, who trailed 20-10 in the fourth quarter, won 36-20 in the National Football Conference (NFC) game for their first post-season victory since 1980. New Orleans have never won a play-off game.

Reich, starting in place of the injured Jim Kelly, led Buffalo back from a 35-3 third-quarter shortage to keep alive their designs on Super Bowl XXVII in Pasadena on January 31. The Bills have been runners-up in the last two Super Bowls. The previous league record for a comeback success was 28 points. The greatest play-off resurgence had been Detroit's recovery from a 20-point deficit against San Francisco in 1957.

Next weekend the Bills play away to the Pittsburgh Steelers, who had a first-round bye. The San Diego Chargers play the Miami Dolphins in the other AFC divisional play-off.

The Oilers dominated the Bills in the first half as Warren Moon completed 19-of-22 passes and ended each of Houston's four series with a scoring toss for a 28-3 lead. Two minutes into the third quarter, Bubba McDowell intercepted a pass by Reich and dashed 58 yards for a touchdown to give Houston their 35-3 advantage.

The Bills were in charge thereafter, scoring two touchdowns in 56 seconds. Kenneth Davis scored on a one-yard run with less than nine minutes remaining in the third quarter. Christie then recovered his own onside kick to set up a 38-yard touchdown pass from Reich to Don Beebe. Reich connected with Andre Reed for three touchdown passes, the last with just over three minutes left in regulation to give the Bills their first lead of the game, 38-35. The Oilers levelled the scores on a 26-yard field goal by Al Del Greco with 12 seconds left.

Houston won the coin toss to take possession in overtime, but Moon was intercepted by Nate Odomes to set up Christie's game-winning kick 3min 06sec into the extra period.

In the Philadelphia victory, Randall Cunningham completed two touchdown passes to Fred Barnett and the Eagles scored 17 points off New Orleans turnovers. Barnett caught four passes for 102 yards and became the first receiver to gain 100 yards against the Saints this season.

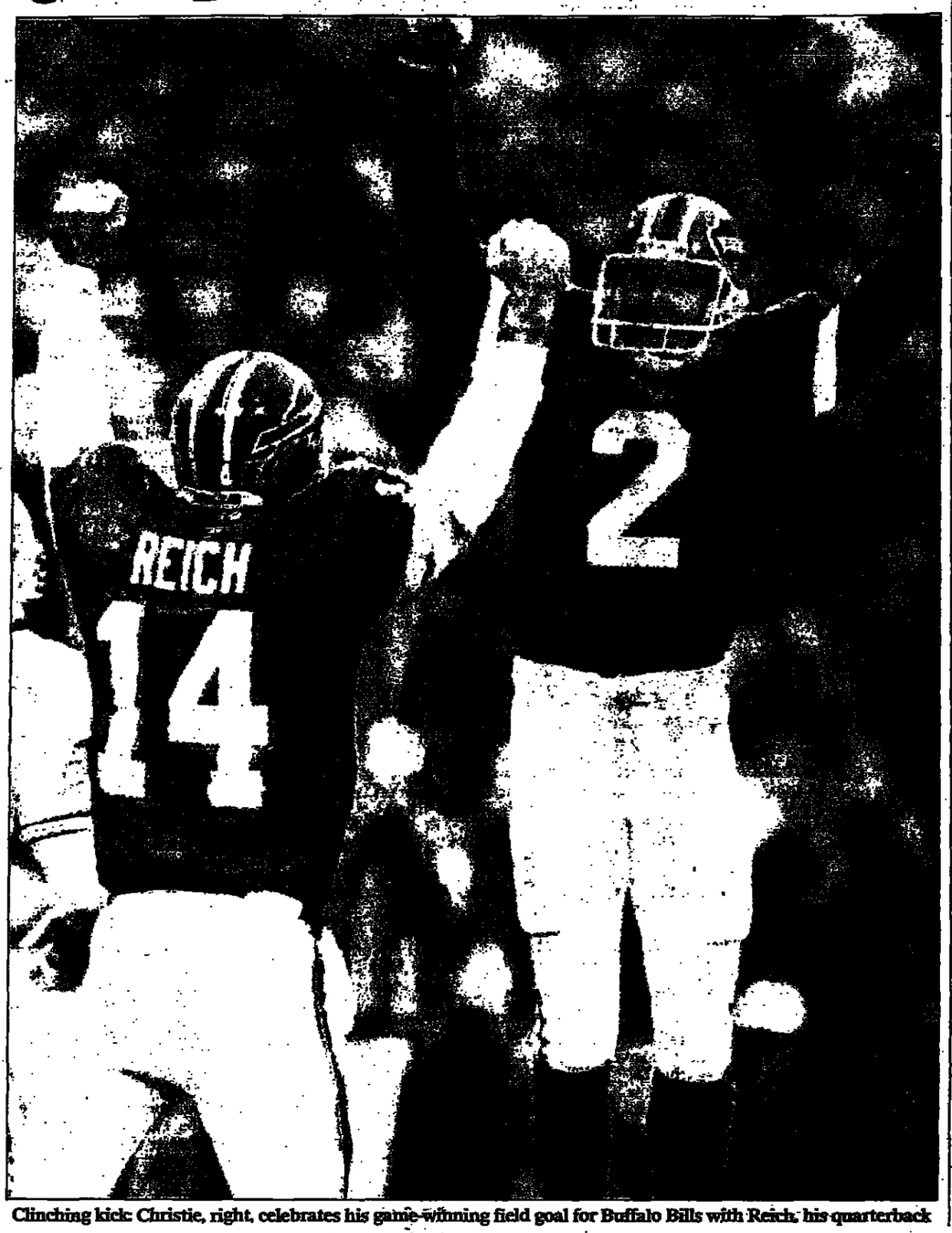
New Orleans controlled the first half as Craig Heyward scored on a one-yard run and Bobby Hebert threw a seven-yard touchdown pass to Quinn Early for a 17-7 half-time lead. The Saints increased their lead to 20-7 on a 42-yard field goal by Morten Andersen before turnovers resuscitated Philadelphia.

Roger Ruzek kicked a 40-yard field goal following Eric Allen's interception of a Hebert pass in the third quarter and Barnett outjumped two defenders for a 35-yard score early in the fourth.

Seth Joyner's interception set up a six-yard touchdown run by Heath Sherman for a 24-20 Philadelphia lead. The Eagles made it 26-20 when Reggie White sacked Hebert for a safety.

Next weekend the Eagles will play the Dallas Cowboys, winners of the rivals' NFC East division. The Washington Redskins play San Francisco in the other NFC play-off. The Redskins upset the Minnesota Vikings 24-7 on Saturday, vindicating their wild-card status.

RESULTS: NFC: Philadelphia Eagles 36, New Orleans Saints 20; AFC: Buffalo Bills 41, Houston Oilers 38 (overtime).
FIXTURES: Jan 9-10: Divisional play-offs: NFC: Philadelphia at Dallas Cowboys; Washington Redskins at San Francisco 49ers; AFC: Buffalo at Pittsburgh Steelers; San Diego Chargers at Miami Dolphins; Jan 17: Conference finals; Jan 31: Super Bowl XXVII (Pasadena).



Clinching kick: Christie, right, celebrates his game-winning field goal for Buffalo Bills with Reich, his quarterback

BASKETBALL

# Russian challenge ends in defeat by Thames Valley

BY NICHOLAS HARLING

THE accent may be very much on the 'invitation' in the world invitation club championships, but if most of the best clubs have to decline their invitations, the next best still have to be beaten. This was the philosophy expressed by Mick Bett, the Thames Valley Tigers coach, after his team had defeated CSKA Moscow, 84-72, to win the men's event for the first time.

Moscow could only compete at Crystal Palace because they are out of the European champions cup, but as Russian champions, they were not be scoffed at. Still hurting from last year's loss to Kingston in the final, Moscow's physical aggression showed how badly they wanted to win this time. It made Thames Valley's achievement all the more remarkable that the Russians failed to prevent a fifth consecutive British success in the tournament.

"OK," Bett said, "the tournament is not as strong as it used to be. If the French or Spaniards were there, I don't think we could touch them. I don't think they are getting teams from the best countries any more, but all the teams we beat were still good ones. The Russians were the best squad in the tournament. They could shoot better than us, and were taller, but it does not matter how tall you are, it's what's in your heart that matters."

No Tiger showed more heart, or indeed flair, for the occasion than Nigel Lloyd, 31, their Barbadian guard, whose 35 points, added to the same tally in the first round against Braunschweig, and 22 in the semi-final against Solna, gave him a tournament aggregate of 92 points. "He was superb," Bett said of the only Tiger to make the All Star five, which also contained three Russians, Antipov, Kondratov, and Astanin, plus Becka, the USK Prague centre.

Bett put no great store by the tournament as he sent his team into it. "But once we made it to the semi-final, everyone went all out to win it," he said. "Once we got to the final, we went out and did it. We knew that if we stopped the Russian fast break, we could get them into half-court game, and slow them down a bit. Then they'd have problems." Nevertheless, it was when Tigers stepped up their own game, running at the Russian defence that the final was won and lost in a decisive 20-4 scoring burst by the English club.

Bett will let his players reflect on their feat until Thursday, when they start preparations for Sunday's national cup quarter-final away to Cheshire Jets, who, while still bottom of the league, are no longer the push-overs they once were.

The Jets gained their second Carlsberg League win of the season on Saturday, beating Hemel Hempstead Royals 95-82, only to slip up again on Sunday when John Tresvant contributed 42 points to Leicester's 100-78 victory. Close behind Tresvant was Chris Fite, scorer of 41 points for Oldham Celtics, 92-91 winners at Sunderland Saints. While Tigers were winning at the Palace, Worthing Bears were trimming their Carlsberg League leadership to two points by beating Manchester Giants 87-76.

London Towers, convincing 94-76 winners over Derby Bucks on Saturday, hope to put Ronnie Baker, the former Worthing and Brixton guard, under contract until the end of the season. Derby lost Martin Ford during the first half against Towers after he aggravated an ankle injury.

CARLSBERG LEAGUE TABLE

| | P | W | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| T Valley | 16 | 15 | 1 | 1478 | 1093 | 30 |
| Worthing | 15 | 14 | 1 | 1307 | 1088 | 28 |
| London | 15 | 13 | 2 | 1298 | 1187 | 26 |
| Guildford | 14 | 9 | 5 | 1281 | 1083 | 18 |
| Oldham | 15 | 7 | 9 | 1276 | 1359 | 14 |
| Manchester | 14 | 6 | 8 | 1189 | 1179 | 12 |
| Derby | 14 | 6 | 8 | 1236 | 1248 | 12 |
| Leicester | 15 | 6 | 9 | 1777 | 1223 | 12 |
| Birmingham | 16 | 6 | 9 | 1288 | 1316 | 8 |
| Hemel | 15 | 4 | 11 | 1181 | 1300 | 8 |
| Sunderland | 17 | 4 | 14 | 1295 | 1471 | 8 |
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# Lloyd Webber gift horse put down

By Richard Evans
Racing Correspondent

THE distressing side of racing reared its ugly head at Newbury yesterday when Al Mutahm, a Champion Hurdle hopeful, had to be put down.

The five-year-old was bought for £100,000 in December by Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber for his wife, Madeleine, as a thirtieth birthday present.

The Berkshire-based couple were in the stands when Al Mutahm was pulled up suddenly after the fourth last flight in the Ramsbury Hurdle, having led throughout.

Jamie Osborne, his jockey, feared the worst and the hurdler was found to have severed a tendon in his off-fore.

"There was no choice, he had to be put down," Jim Old, his trainer, said. "He was right down on his off-fore. It is absolutely tragic because he was a lovely horse."

Lady Lloyd Webber, an accomplished horsewoman, added: "This is worse for Jim as he knew the horse so well. He was a lovely horse. I intend to have another one with Jim."

The Lloyd Webbers have an interest in four jumpers, including the Simon Sherwood-trained Dusty Miller, although Al Mutahm was the only one to carry Lady Lloyd Webber's colours.

The misfortune came on a day when trainers withdrew a total of 16 horses due to the condition of the track. The main complaint was that ground cut up by racing on Saturday had not been repaired before a very sharp frost struck that evening.

Josh Gifford, who pulled out five of his six intended runners, said: "I know it is very difficult but they should have spent £200 or £300 on Saturday night, given the weather forecast, and treaded back the turf. By Sunday morning it was too late to deal with the rough bits.

"I hate to criticise because we all have a business to run, but if they had spent the money and covered the ground either side of the fences, I am sure there would not have been a problem."

Richard Pridham, the recently-appointed clerk of the course, responded: "We were not to know we would have such an extreme frost on Saturday night. It was also pitch black after racing and we could not have seen what we were doing. We usually come in on a Sunday to do the treading-in and this is normally adequate."

Aside from the controversy, Travado, Storm Alert and Hawthorn Blaze provided Cheltenham pointers for those who braved the conditions.

Travado was particularly impressive in the Wantage Novices' Chase and his jumping a joy to watch. When he last ran at Cheltenham in November, the seven-year-old was brought down and received a bang to the head which kept an eye closed for almost a month.

Despite having completed only two pieces of work since then, Travado won in a canter to give Nicky Henderson his first winner for 17 days.

Storm Alert completed a nap hand of victories this season in the New Year Handicap Chase and provided Andy Turnell with his nineteenth success of the season, equalling his previous best. The Grand Annual Chase is his intended festival target.

Hawthorn Blaze did his best to kick three successive hurdles out of the ground during the early stages of the Weyhill Handicap Hurdle but Martin Pipe's recruit still looked potentially top-class as he defied 12 stone and a 13lb rise in the handicap to win by ten lengths.

A powerful galloper with a long stride, Hawthorn Blaze's future certainly lies over fences and Peter Scudamore's post-race verdict was "the sooner the better."

Travelling Wrong's run of success came to an end when Young Hustler, trained by Nigel Twiston-Davies, had too much pace in the Elcot Park Novices' Chase.

# Cool Ground may meet pretender to his crown

COOL Ground will seek his third success in the £20,000 Anthony Mildmay Peter Cazalet Memorial Handicap Chase at Sandown on Saturday when he could encounter Rushing Wild, one of the main contenders for his Gold Cup crown.

The Toby Balding-trained gelding is certain to head the weights for a race which has also attracted Nick The Brief and Sibton Abbey, the surprise Hennessy Gold Cup winner.

Cool Ground has so far failed to rediscover the form that helped him pull off a shock victory over The Fellow at Cheltenham. But Balding stressed yesterday that the early-season disappointments are mirroring Cool Ground's 1991-92 campaign.

"If you look at his form this time last year you will find it is exactly the same. I do not hold the view that his exertions in the Gold Cup and Grand National have got to the bottom of him," he said.

"I couldn't have been more pleased with his first run at Wetherby but he has found handicaps a difficult task particularly over shorter trips. I am hoping that over this three mile five furlong trip it will be a different story."

Cool Ground won the Sandown prize for Richard Mitchell in 1990 and the following year for Reg Akehurst.

Balding expects Adrian Maguire to remain loyal to Cool Ground but the young Irishman is also wanted by Ferdie Murphy for Sibton Abbey and by Steve Woodman for King Credo in The Ladbroke at Leopardstown. He is expected to decide today.



Maguire: difficult Saturday choice

Rushing Wild, winner of the Foxhunters' at Cheltenham last year and as low as 12-1 for the Gold Cup, is sure to start favourite if he takes his chance at Sandown.

However, Martin Pipe has also entered his impressive Wincanton winner for the Warwick Premier Chase the same day, a £7,000 conditions race in which he could clash with Bradbury Star.

Nick The Brief, who missed the whole of last season through injury, could make his reappearance in the Sandown race, provided he comes through a racecourse gallop today.

Old rivals Katabatic and Waterloo Boy could clash again in the £50,000 Mitsubishi Shogun Newton Chase at Haydock.

Katabatic has been confirmed a definite runner by Andy Turnell but David Nicholson will delay a decision regarding Waterloo Boy until later in the week.

Kings Fountain, a faller in the King George VI Chase when ridden by Peter Scudamore, takes on Katabatic with regular jockey Anthony Tory back in the saddle.

Saturday's impressive Newbury winner Lord Relic is likely to make a quick reappearance in the £25,000 grade one Baring Securities Tolworth Hurdle at Sandown where Big Beat is among his 13 possible rivals.

# Clever Shepherd for winning return

PHILIP Hobbs has never been afraid to travel in search of winners and regards Perth as his favourite racecourse. Today, the Minehead trainer can find success a little closer to home with CLEVER SHEPHERD, who is napped to win the Ellacombe Handicap Chase at Newton Abbot.

Clever Shepherd, a winner three times last season, also ran a fine race when 12 lengths second to Country Member, who was receiving 3lb, at Sandown in February.

Country Member has made that form look solid by winning his first three races this season, before running down the field behind Jodami at Newbury on Saturday.

While Country Member has been raised 28lb for his efforts, Clever Shepherd races off the same handicap mark as last season. If he can make anything like the same improvement, he should win on his reappearance here.

Champagne Lad was odds-on when falling in a novice chase at Taunton last time and his confidence would have to be taken on trust.

Martin Pipe runs two but The Leggett looks too high in the handicap and Skipping Tim may find the pace too hot at 14.

Driving Force came back from a 16-month lay-off to win a handicap at Fakenham last month. He tired in the closing stages, under 12 stone, and could feel the effects of that race today.



Hobbs: sound chance with Clever Shepherd

Lumberjack has changed stables since he won at Wetherby where he beating a below-par Padaventure. Let down by his jumping in some of his races, Lumberjack has been raised 11lb for his two wins this season and that may prove too much here.

MIRAMAC looks the answer to the Babbacombe Selling Handicap Chase, judged on his last run when an eight-length third to Obie's Train at Exeter.

His main rival may be My Cup Of Tea who was pulled up on his seasonal debut here behind Setter Country. That form, allied to a 35lb weight concession, may prove too much of a handicap, even for a Pipe-trained horse.

However, Pipe should be on the mark with HEATHFIELD GALE (2.45), the winner of a National Hunt flat race at Doncaster, and LAND OF THE FREE (3.45), a Flat winner in France, who ran with promise when second to Clurican at Hereford.

## Two courses to inspect

DESPITE the arrival of milder weather, tomorrow's turf meetings at Lingfield and Sedgefield are both in doubt.

The Lingfield stewards will inspect at 3pm today. Geoff Stickels, clerk of the course, said: "The track is frozen at present and we would not have been able to race today. But the forecast is good."

The course at Sedgefield was also still frozen yesterday afternoon and the chances of the meeting going ahead were rated only 50-50 by a course spokesman. An inspection will be held at midday today.

Newbury finally went ahead after two inspections yesterday morning but the day's other scheduled turf meeting at Wolverhampton was abandoned because of frost.

## Ladbroke weights to soar

WEIGHTS for The Ladbroke, to be run at Leopardstown on Saturday, are set to rise by 26lb at today's four-day declaration stage (Phil McLennan writes).

With all of the original top weights for Europe's richest handicap hurdle expected to come out today, Eyelid, trained by Michael Purcell, would head the revised handicap with 12 stone.

Bitofabanter, ante-post favourite with the sponsors since the weights were published, is now likely to have to shoulder 11st 11lb while England's leading hopes, King Credo and Kilcash, face the prospect of carrying 11st 2lb and 11st 9lb respectively.

Jockey plans for Bitofabanter, winner of the Swinton Handicap Hurdle at Haydock in May, depend on the outcome of today's appeal by Tom Taaffe against a five-day improper riding ban.

Best-backed horse with the sponsors yesterday was Doran's Town Lad (20-1 from 50-1), who will be ridden by his trainer, Tony Mullins.

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## NEWTON ABBOT

| MANDARIN | THUNDERER |
|---|---|
| 1.15 Miramac. | 1.15 Taffy Jones. |
| 1.45 General Brandy. | 1.45 Lackendara. |
| 2.15 Rufus. | 2.15 FAST STUDY (nap). |
| 2.45 Heathfield Gale. | 2.45 How Doudo. |
| 3.15 CLEVER SHEPHERD (nap). | 3.15 Champagne Lad. |
| 3.45 Land Of The Free. | 3.45 Hebridean. |
| 4.15 Punchbag. | 4.15 Ever Smile. |

RICHARD EVANS: 3.15 Clever Shepherd. 3.45 HEBRIDEAN (nap). 4.15 Ever Smile.

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### 1.15 BABBACOMBE SELLING HANDICAP CHASE
(£2,192: 2m 110yd) (13 runners)

1 /1/0F/P MY CUP OF TEA 49 (CD,F,G) (Mrs E King) M Pipe 10-12-7 P Scudamore –
2 /403P/5 KILKILMARTIN 25 (H Manners) H Manners 11-10-5 A Tory 92
3 240325 TAFFY JONES 30 (CD,F,G,S) (M McCormack) M McCormack 14-10-2 C Maude ●
4 3PF33P COTAPAXI 41 (Mrs B Lock) R Hodges 8-10-1 W Irvine 87
5 5-535U5 FRED SPLENDID 20 (G Small) B Hodges 10-10-0 R Dunwoody 81
6 F5P-3FP BENJAMIN LANCASTER 22 (S) (M Griffin) T Hallett 9-10-0 N Dowse (7) 87
7 6-23293 CELTIC CHIMES 21 (G) (C Watt) G Enright 8-10-0 M Perrett 84
8 63P-853 MIRAMAC 20 (F,G,S) (R Frost) R Frost 12-10-0 J Frost 91
9 P0P-0 BRAZIER BOY 70 (Brazier Developments Ltd) A Jarvis 8-10-0 N Williamson –
10 8523-35 PASSO ALL'ERTA 22 (S) (D Deacon) D Deacon 10-10-0 D Leahy (5) 93
11 04-46P5 PANT LLIN 22 (F) (D Martin) F Jordan 7-10-0 J Lodder –
12 6PP-036 WILLIAMSFIELD 20 (A Siaw) C James 8-10-0 S McNeill –
13 4F6-020 DULZURA 122 (Mrs D Brazier) A Jarvis 5-10-0 T Jarvis –

BETTING: 11-10 My Cup Of Tea, 11-2 Miramac, 6-1 Taffy Jones, 8-1 Passo All'erta, Cotapaxi, 10-1 Celtic Chimes, 12-1 others.

1992: CEDAR RUN 9-10-11 N Coleman (20-1) G Charles-Jones 13 ran

FORM FOCUS

TAFFY JONES 9¾l 5th of 7 to Maudlins Cross in Southwell (2m, good to firm) handicap chase. Previously 2½l 2nd of 3 to Faithful Star in Exeter (2m 1f 110yd, good to firm) handicap chase. COTAPAXI 23l 3rd of 12 to Noble Eyre in Wolverhampton (2m, good) claiming chase on penultimate start. CELTIC CHIMES 8l 2nd of 7 to Mr Felix in Plumpton (2m, heavy) handicap chase in November. MIRAMAC 8l 3rd of 9 to Obie's Train in Exeter (2m 2f, soft) novice claiming chase with FRED SPLENDID (2lb worse off) 12l 5th and WILLIAMSFIELD (same terms) 25l 8th. PASSO ALL'ERTA 14½l 5th of 10 to Kisu Kali in novice handicap chase over course and distance (heavy) with BENJAMIN LANCASTER pulled up before 2 out.
Selection: TAFFY JONES

### 1.45 LAVIS MEDICAL SYSTEMS NOVICES HURDLE
(Div I: £1,663: 2m 1f) (16 runners)

1 4-41 RIVER ISLAND 26 (D,S) (W Start) J Old 5-11-11 C Llewellyn 98
2 0-60 CORACO 24 (Mrs T Pilkington) Mrs T Pitkington 6-11-5 D Bridgwater –
3 00 CROSULA 22 (S Jones) A Jones 5-11-5 G Upton –
4 PP/ EXACT ANALYSIS 745 (Mrs E Townley-Berry) N Mitchell 7-11-5 M Hourigan (3) –
5 GENERAL BRANDY (J Ingram) J Gifford 7-11-5 D Murphy –
6 0/ INDIAN HILL 819 (B) (B Ryall) B Ryall 8-11-5 N Mann –
7 80/2-33F LACKENDARA 50 (BF) (Opening Bid Partnership) Miss H Knight 6-11-5 J Osborne 89
8 P- LITTLE ERNIE 355 (D Hunt) R Baker 7-11-5 G McCourt –
9 1651-2 MONSIEUR LE CURE 17 (G,S) (H Brown) J Edwards 7-11-5 N Williamson ●
10 0000P/R OCTOBER WINDS 47 (R Hamilton) P Hobbs 7-11-5 S Earle –
11 P- SALIC DANCE 514 (R Martin) G Ham 5-11-5 B Powell –
12 30F6/0 WICKFIELD LAD 22 (B Deacon) D Deacon 10-11-5 D Leahy (5) –
13 145 CLEEVELAND LADY 49 (G) (Mrs P Reich) W G M Turner 6-11-0 D Tegg –
14 GULL POND (Mrs D Purdie) R Hodges 5-11-0 W Irvine –
15 30P-P05 RAMSEY STREET 10 (B Llewellyn) B Llewellyn 6-11-0 Mr J L Llewellyn (7) 83
16 HANDY LASS 105F (G Hacking) Mrs A Knight 4-10-2 S McNeill –

BETTING: 13-8 Monsieur Le Cure, 2-1 River Island, 5-1 Lackendara, 8-1 General Brandy, 10-1 Cleeveland Lady, 16-1 others.

1992: DANCING PADDY 4-10-7 R Guest (5-4 fav) K Cunningham-Brown 16 ran

FORM FOCUS

RIVER ISLAND beat Cabochon 3l in 13-runner Taunton (2m 1f, soft) novice hurdle. LACKENDARA 4¼l 3rd of 16 to Hearts Are Wild in Huntingdon (2m 110yd, good) novice hurdle on penultimate start.
MONSIEUR LE CURE neck 2nd of 23 to Chuck Curley in Nottingham (2m, soft) novice hurdle. CLEEVELAND LADY 5¾l 4th of 20 to Naval Battle in Warwick (2m, good to soft) National Hunt Flat race on penultimate start with CORACO (7lb worse off) 18¾l 8th.
Selection: MONSIEUR LE CURE

### 2.15 ARGYLE BOOKMAKERS OF PLYMOUTH NOVICES CHASE
(£2,303: 3m 2f 110yd) (16 runners)

1 51F64 DISTILLATION 10 (S) (G Edwards) G Edwards 8-11-3 C Maude 81
2 342-21F FAST STUDY 20 (S) (Brig C Harvey) D Nicholson 8-11-3 R Bellamy 88
3 212F20 FATHER DOWLING 10 (V,D,G) (Mrs E Haycock) G Balding 8-11-3 J Frost 77
4 2P3F-1 LUCKY VILLAIN 26 (S) (D Luscombe) N Henderson 8-11-3 R Dunwoody 87
5 5P65-61 MR DYNAMIC 22 (CD,S) (D Deacon) D Deacon 11-11-3 D Leahy (5) 65
6 8U0-2 CARRICKROVADDY 26 (Mrs D Coleman) B Smart 7-10-10 B Powell 86
7 3322-04 IMPECCABLE TIMING 39 (S) (W Robinson) O O'Neill 10-10-10 G McCourt –
8 FF-003F LUCKY HELMET 17 (B,S) (W McKenzie-Coles) W McKenzie-Coles 9-10-10 S Burrough –
9 04P0/P4 NELSAC 40 (G Malen) G Ham 9-10-10 C Llewellyn –
10 82341-F RAFIKI 18 (S) (Mrs J May) Mrs J Retter 8-10-10 M A Fitzgerald –
11 /00P-0P RABALOO 41 (K Bell) C Brad 7-10-10 D Tegg –
12 11F3-22 RUFUS 24 (S) (Mrs J Feathers) J Edwards 7-10-10 N Williamson ●
13 1/311-P TERAO 18 (BF,S) (B Kilpatrick) M Pipe 7-10-10 P Scudamore –
14 PP3-PPP TIME MODULE 4 (V) (Mrs D Scott) D Scott 9-10-10 N Hawke –
15 00/4F PROUD POINT 25 (Mrs N Dutfield) Mrs P Dutfield 8-10-5 P Holley –
16 135P0-4 WOODLAND FLOWER 25 (G) (Mrs J Dibben) O Sherwood 8-10-5 J Osborne 78

BETTING: 5-2 Rufus, 3-1 Lucky Villain, 4-1 Terao, 13-2 Fast Study, 8-1 Father Dowling, 10-1 Woodland Flower, Mr Dynamic, 12-1 Rafiki, 14-1 others.

1992: MINNEHOMA 9-10-10 P Scudamore (6-5 fav) M Pipe 15 ran

FORM FOCUS

FAST STUDY beat Mr Setaside 2l in 8-runner Leicester (3m, good to soft) novice chase on penultimate start. LUCKY VILLAIN beat CARRICKROVADDY (4lb better off) 1l in 12-runner Taunton (3m, good to soft) novice handicap chase. MR DYNAMIC beat FATHER DOWLING (4lb better off) 3l in 8-runner novice chase over course and distance (heavy) with LUCKY HELMET distance last of 3 finishers. RUFUS 3l 2nd of 10 to Midnight Caller in grade II novice chase at Lingfield (3m, soft). TERAO, pulled up on chasing bow, last term beat Bishops Island 3½l in novice hurdle at Uttoxeter (2m 4f, soft).
Selection: RUFUS

COURSE SPECIALISTS

| TRAINERS | Wins | Rnrs | % | JOCKEYS | Winners | Rides | % |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| C Egerton | 3 | 4 | 75.0 | P Scudamore | 93 | 216 | 43.1 |
| M Pipe | 119 | 337 | 35.3 | G McCourt | 12 | 42 | 28.6 |
| M McCourt | 5 | 15 | 33.3 | J Lower | 10 | 36 | 27.8 |
| J Edwards | 12 | 39 | 30.8 | N Williamson | 6 | 26 | 23.1 |
| N Twiston-Davies | 5 | 17 | 29.4 | R Dunwoody | 13 | 59 | 22.0 |
| F Jordan | 4 | 16 | 25.0 | S Mackey | 4 | 19 | 21.1 |

### 2.45 HOECHST PANACUR EBF MARES NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES' HURDLE (Qualifier: £2,161: 2m 6f) (16 runners)

1 11-12 LA PRINCESSE 19 (BF,S) (Mrs B Samuel) O Sherwood 6-11-5 J Osborne ●
2 0 ANTIGUAN SOL 10 (Mrs N Dutfield) Mrs P Dutfield 5-10-12 P Holley –
3 32SU BEAUTIFUL DREAM 20 (Duckhaven Stud) R Baker 5-10-12 G McCourt –
4 24 CHERYLS PET 10 (P Ryan) P Burgoyne 5-10-12 B Powell 73
5 00-F0 CRUISE ALONG 19 (R Godwin) N Twiston-Davies 6-10-12 C Llewellyn 92
6 0/6- DUTCH RHYMES 364 (L Feller) G Enright 8-10-12 M Perrett –
7 00P3-4 FANTASY WORLD 29 (F Welch) J Gifford 7-10-12 D Murphy 98
8 0/0-0 GLEN PARISH 26 (Non-Stop Promotions Ltd) G Humphrey 8-10-12 D Bridgwater –
9 0-F1 HEATHFIELD GALE 25 (G) (A Ford) M Pipe 6-10-12 P Scudamore –
10 P-8 HIGHLY INFLAMMABLE 10 (The Volatile Partnership) C Barwell 5-10-12 N Mann –
11 1/6006-3 HOW DOUDO 20 (S) (P Lee) S Christian 6-10-12 M A Fitzgerald 84
12 25-5P MISTRESS MCKENZIE 55 (B Moore) K Bishop 7-10-12 R Greene (3) 94
13 2P45 PRUDENT PEGGY 20 (Mrs J McCormack) R Frost 6-10-12 J Frost 76
14 P SHASHKOALA 22 (Mrs E Collinson) J Collinson 5-10-12 D Meade (7) –
15 000-P STORMY SUNSET 10 (Mrs J Daouls) W Dennis 5-10-12 N Hawke –
16 3P-0 TOUCH OF ELEGANCE 118 (M Pipe) M Pipe 6-10-12 L Reynolds (7) –

BETTING: 5-4 La Princesse, 11-4 Heathfield Gale, 11-2 Beautiful Dream, 8-1 Cheryls Pet, How Doudo, Fantasy World, 10-1 Cruise Along, 14-1 others.

1992: SWILLY EXPRESS 6-10-12 M McGonigle (10-11 fav) S Christian 15 ran

FORM FOCUS

LA PRINCESSE 6l 2nd of 17 to Easter Baby in Towcester (2m, soft) novice hurdle with CRUISE ALONG (same terms) 23l 8th. CHERYLS PET 26l 4th of 11 to Lunabelle in Wincanton (2m, good to soft) novice hurdle with HIGHLY INFLAMMABLE (same terms) 6l 6th and ANTIGUAN SOL 10th. FANTASY WORLD backward 48l 4th of 17 to Ima Delight (2m 4l, soft) novice hurdle at Warwick. Previously 3l 3rd of 17 to Spring To It in Chepstow (3m, good) novice hurdle on final start last term with HOW DOUDO (same terms) 15l 6th. HEATHFIELD GALE beat Glow A Buzz neck in 17-runner Doncaster (2m 110yd, good) National Hunt Flat race.
HOW DOUDO 6l 3rd of 11 to Hicklop in Exeter (2m 3l 110yd, soft) novice handicap hurdle with PRUDENT PEGGY (4lb worse off) 15l 5th.
Selection: FANTASY WORLD (nap)

### 3.15 ELLACOMBE HANDICAP CHASE (£2,880: 2m 5f) (10 runners)

1 2233-3P THE LEGGETT 38 (F,G,S) (A Ford) M Pipe 10-12-0 R Bellamy 98
2 P13-121 LUMBERJACK 49 (B,D,G,S) (T Hill) C Egerton 9-11-11 R Dunwoody ●
3 62251P SKIPPING TIM 26 (CD,F,G,S) (Miss H Bisgrove) M Pipe 14-11-9 P Scudamore 97
4 53P343 SIRRAH JAY 8 (CD,F,G,S) (Elite Sale Racing) G Balding 13-11-9 R Beggan 95
5 42-2524 GUIBURN'S NEPHEW 24 (BF,F,G) (Mrs P Steed) P Hobbs 11-11-4 C Maude 98
6 1U32-5P MOSSY FERN 19 (F,G) (B Waters) O Sherwood 7-10-13 J Osborne 87
7 040-32F CHAMPAGNE LAD 40 (BF,F,G,S) (P James) J Gifford 7-10-10 D Murphy 89
8 02/211-1 DRIVING FORCE 18 (CD,F,S) (N Gill) M McCourt 7-10-8 G McCourt 90
9 011222- CLEVER SHEPHERD 327 (F,G) (M Lockyer) P Hobbs 8-10-5 Peter Hobbs 90
10 31U2FF PLAYPEN 20 (C,F,S) (P Tylor) R Frost 9-10-1 J Frost 87

BETTING: 5-2 Driving Force, 3-1 Lumberjack, 7-2 Champagne Lad, 11-2 Guiburn's Nephew, 13-2 Skipping Tim, 10-1 The Leggett, 12 others.

1992: WESTERN COUNTIES 13-10-1 B Clifford (9-2) R Holder 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

THE LEGGETT 18l 3rd of 4 to Gambling Royal in Kempton (3m, soft) handicap chase. LUMBERJACK easily beat Padaventure 10l in 7-runner Wetherby (2m 5l, good to soft) handicap chase. SKIPPING TIM beat Solar Cloud 3l in 8-runner Cheltenham (3m, heavy) claiming chase. GUIBURN'S NEPHEW 2½l 2nd of 4 to Well Wrapped in Wolverhampton (2m 4f 110yd, good to soft) handicap chase. CHAMPAGNE LAD neck 2nd of 7 to Emsee-H in Huntingdon (2m 4f 110yd, good) handicap chase. DRIVING FORCE beat Dalliston 3½l in 8-runner Fakenham (2m 110yd, soft) handicap chase. CLEVER SHEPHERD 12l 2nd of 8 to Country Member in Sandown (3m 118yd, good) novice handicap chase.
Selection: GUIBURN'S NEPHEW

### 3.45 LAVIS MEDICAL SYSTEMS NOVICES HURDLE
(Div II: £1,656: 2m 1f) (16 runners)

1 40-3212 PETMER 74 (CD,S) (Elite Sale Racing) G Balding 6-11-11 R Beggan 80
2 52F2 ANGELO'S DOUBLE 22 (BF) (R Kelly) G Ham 5-11-5 B Powell 95
3 50/3F-PP ASBAAB 47 (Lavis Medical Systems) Mrs J Wonnacott 8-11-5 Mr A Wonnacott –
4 PP6/P- BURFORD 500 (B Heileman) B Heileman 6-11-5 E Tierney –
5 8-2 GOTTA BE JOKING 17 (Mrs P Scott-Dunn) Miss H Knight 5-11-5 J Osborne 98
6 HEBRIDEAN 94F (P Deal) D Nicholson 6-11-5 R Dunwoody –
7 0- KINGS BROMPTON 284 (J Payne) J Payne 7-11-5 Mr R Payne (7) –
8 52223-2 LUMUMBA DAYS 20 (H Taylor) Martyn Meade 7-11-5 G Upton 98
9 00/0- PREDICTABLE 14F (L Hawkings) Mrs A Knight 7-11-5 S McNeill –
10 ROCKET RUN (M Saunders) M Saunders 5-11-5 S Mackey –
11 00US0/F- SHIRYON 498 (A Search) Mrs A Knight 8-11-5 Miss L Blackford (7) –
12 600-54P TEMPORARY 133 (P Rogers) R Frost 8-11-5 J Frost –
13 F250-33 THE MINDER 20 (G Edwards) G Edwards 6-11-5 D Salter (7) 86
14 00 WILL BONNY 49 (W Sleeman) D Jenny 6-11-5 N Hawke –
15 F0 NEARLY HONEST 26 (J Coffey) R Hodges 5-11-0 A Tory –
16 2 LAND OF THE FREE 41 (R Johns) M Pipe 4-10-2 P Scudamore ●

BETTING: 7-4 Hebridean, 3-1 Land of The Free, 5-1 Gotta Be Joking, 8-1 Angelo's Double, Lumumba Days, 10-1 Petmer, 12-1 The Minder, 16-1 Predictable, 20-1 others.

1992: NO CORRESPONDING DIVISION

FORM FOCUS

PETMER 12l 2nd of 5 to Little Big in Exeter (2m 3l, good) selling novice hurdle. ANGELO'S DOUBLE head 2nd of 14 to Viaggio in novice hurdle over course and distance (heavy). GOTTA BE JOKING 3½l 2nd of 8 to Kinolo in Uttoxeter (2m, heavy) novice hurdle. LUMUMBA DAYS ¾l 2nd of 10 to Chiparopai in Bangor (2m 1f, soft) handicap hurdle. THE MINDER 8l 3rd of 15 to The Black Monk in Exeter (2m 2l, soft) novice claiming hurdle. LAND OF THE FREE 5l 2nd of 10 to Clurican in Hereford (2m 1f, heavy) novice hurdle. HEBRIDEAN beat Star Player ¾l in 5-runner Goodwood (2m, good to soft) stakes race on the Flat in October.
Selection: ANGELO'S DOUBLE

### 4.15 ST MARYCHURCH HANDICAP HURDLE
(£2,125: 2m 1f) (18 runners)

1 112- EVER SMILE 501 (F) (D L'Estrange) M Pipe 8-11-11 J Lower 94
2 5-621F1 DJEBEL PRINCE 10 (CD,G,S) (M Soames) C Egerton 6-11-5 J Osborne ●
3 3/0112-0 SANDHURST PARK 25 (G,S) (Mrs S Russel) P Murphy 8-11-4 N Mann 94
4 040-483 EARLY BREEZE 18 (BF,C,F) (G Sheeley) M McCourt 7-11-1 G McCourt 95
5 351U/ HEAVENLY PEACE 1278F (G) (The Flying High Partnership) A Jarvis 10-11-0 G Bradley –
6 4133- MULBANK 297 (F) (I Stage) P Hobbs 7-10-12 C Maude 95
7 064-346 BY FAR 26F (F) (O O'Neill) O O'Neill 7-10-11 V Slattery (5) 89
8 5/00000- GALAGAMES 284 (G) (S Norman) R Buckler 6-10-8 R Dunwoody 89
9 3-50510 FEARSOME 10 (CD,S) (A Joynson) Mrs J Wonnacott 7-10-5 D Salter (7) 88
10 4422F-6 WILL SHE WONT SHE 61 (Mrs C Angeland) R Frost 7-10-4 J Frost 85
11 0P0-031 PUNCHBAG 10 (CD,S) (H & H Racing) G Ham 7-10-0 C Llewellyn 95
12 631/06/ TALAB 609 (F) (D Henley) R Bennett 8-10-0 W Elderfield –
13 F1/003 ZULU 22 (C,F) (Zulu Racing Club) G Ham 8-10-0 B Powell 91
14 010-026 KALZARI 27 (G) (D Deacon) D Deacon 8-10-0 D Leahy (5) 87
15 515034 SANDRO 18 (B,D,G) (Mrs M Rowe) R Baker 4-10-0 R Farrant (5) 87
16 65FF-P5 NOVA SPIRIT 22 (C,S) (M Saunders) M Saunders 5-10-0 S Mackey 85
17 534 DAILY SPORT GIRL 26 (BF) (B Llewellyn) B Llewellyn 4-10-0 Mr J L Llewellyn (7) 75
18 PPPP-P0 ROUGH CUT 22 (B) (E Bettles) R Juckes 6-10-0 M A FitzGerald –

Long handicap: Punchbag 9-13, Talab 9-12, Zulu 9-8, Kalzari 9-5, Sandro 9-4, Nova Spirit 9-4, Daily Sport Girl 9-4, Rough Cut 7-8.

BETTING: Evens Ever Smile, 7-2 Djebel Prince, 6-1 Mulbank, 7-1 Sandhurst Park, 10-1 Early Breeze, 14-1 Fearsome, 16-1 others.

1992: FOREST FAWN 7-9-11 J Ryan (9-1) E Wheeler 11 ran

FORM FOCUS

EVER SMILE 3¼l 2nd of 5 to Frosty Reception in Exeter (2m 1f, firm) handicap hurdle last August. DJEBEL PRINCE beat Celcius 4l in 12-runner handicap hurdle over course and distance (heavy) with FEARSOME (14lb better off) 16l 7th. Earlier beat Caribbean Prince 10l in 9-runner handicap hurdle over course and distance with ZULU (14lb better off) 7l 3rd and NOVA SPIRIT (10lb better off) 14l 5th. SANDHURST PARK 8l 2nd of 15 to J Brand in Chepstow (2m, good to soft) novice handicap hurdle last January. EARLY BREEZE 3l 3rd of 16 to Shamgum in Fakenham (2m 110yd, good to soft) selling handicap hurdle. MULBANK 28½l 3rd of 15 to Tesao in Uttoxeter (2m 4l, soft) novice hurdle in March. BY FAR 1½l 3rd of 8 to Nikitas in Stratford (2m 110yd, good to firm) handicap hurdle in September. FEARSOME beat Prince Valmy neck in 10-runner selling handicap hurdle (heavy) over course and distance penultimate start. PUNCHBAG beat Cornish Cossack 1½l in 9-runner selling handicap hurdle, course and distance (heavy).
Selection: SANDHURST PARK

## LINGFIELD PARK

| MANDARIN | THUNDERER |
|---|---|
| 12.30 Soleil Dancer. | 12.30 Soleil Dancer. |
| 1.00 Kaher. | 1.00 Whippers Delight. |
| 1.30 Riyadh Lights. | 1.30 Carfax. |
| 2.00 Safety. | 2.00 Master Dancer. |
| 2.30 Lady Ghislaine. | 2.30 Hedgehopper. |
| 3.00 Nomadic Rose. | 3.00 Dennington. |
| 3.30 Touch Of Winter. | 3.30 Touch Of Winter. |

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.30 TOUCH OF WINTER.

GOING: STANDARD SIS

### 12.30 MANY HANDS NOVICES HURDLE
(Div I: £1,807: 2m) (12 runners)

1 P600-PP BUSTONIAN 10 (R Turvey) C Popham 7-11-6 W McFarland –
2 PP260-0 CROWN BALADEE 31 (M Thorgood) M Usher 6-11-6 H Davies 75
3 2B-0 FAYNAZ 14F (N Abooibaker) W Muir 7-11-6 J Caddell (7) 80
4 60- JUMPING JUDGE 284 (Mrs P Stanley) T Thomson Jones 6-11-6 D Geoghegan (5) –
5 00P-P MONSCOMA 17F (B) (C Adams) R Ingram 5-11-6 A Maguire –
6 U434 SOLEIL DANCER 31 (Mrs J Grist) D Grissell 5-11-6 J Railton ●
7 0- WHERES YU TOO 466 (P Rodford) P Rodford 5-11-6 T Thompson (7) –
8 02P/003 WOODSIDE HEATH 15 (D Barry) J Moore 6-11-6 P Moore (7) 95
9 52034U MAMALAMA 26 (J Bridger) J Bridger 5-11-1 Rachel Bridger (7) 84
10 33-5050 SHIMMERING SCARLET 89 (P Jones) R Buckler 5-11-1 Mr C Bonner (7) 97
11 R0 RISIANNA 24 (J Scott) Mrs M Long 4-10-3 R Rowell –
12 06 UP ALL NIGHT 21 (M Low) R Curtis 4-10-3 D Morris 79

BETTING: 2-1 Faynaz, 3-1 Soleil Dancer, 5-1 Mamalama, Woodside Heath, 8-1 Crown Baladee, 10-1 others.

1992: BRUNSWICK BLUE 4-10-7 B Johnson (9-1) J Sutcliffe 10 ran

### 1.00 TOO MANY COOKS HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,964: 2m) (12 runners)

1 /53340 SULLI BOY 10 (D,F) (L Murphy) Miss B Sanders 8-11-13 A Maguire 91
2 0005-66 ALREEF 42 (CD,S) (H Sibley) T Thomson Jones 7-11-12 D Geoghegan (5) 97
3 425U-55 KAHER 10 (D,F,G) (F Kalla) N Callaghan 6-11-10 E Murphy 85
4 2-32223 EASTERN MAGIC 21 (D,BF) (H Siegel) J Akehurst 5-11-2 A Dicken (5) 92
5 51311-0 RARFY'S DREAM 109 (CD) (J Bianchi) J Banks 5-10-11 S Keightley 94
6 23F400- SING THE BLUES 17F (CD) (B Heger) C Benstead 9-10-10 H Davies ●
7 25-FUF5 VICTORY ANTHEM 58 (D,BF,G) (P Clarke) P Clarke 7-10-8 I Lawrence 92
8 24-4402 WHIPPERS DELIGHT 20 (D,G,S) (S Tindall) G Charles-Jones 5-10-0 E McKinley 91
9 D3302 MABTHUL 18 (Mrs A Sanders) K Bailey 5-10-0 J Railton 89
10 30-P LOWAWATHA 38 (N Lunn) D Morris 5-10-0 A Carroll 86
11 6/05000 DECIDING BID 41 (D,F,G) (B Pearce) Mrs M Long 7-10-0 Leesa Long (7) 81
12 P5-PB00 BOOKIE BASHER 18 (R Smith) R Curtis 10-10-0 D Morris 88

Long handicap: Whippers Delight 9-13, Mabthul 9-10, Lowawatha, 9-2, Deciding Bid 8-13, Bookie Basher 8-13.

BETTING: 7-2 Kaher, 5-1 Whippers Delight, 6-1 Eastern Magic, Rarfy's Dream, 15-2 Mabthul, 8-1 Alreef, Sing The Blues, 10-1 others.

1992: CURIOUS FEELING 6-10-9 M Bosley (7-1) J Bosley 13 ran

### 1.30 STITCH IN TIME CLAIMING HURDLE (£1,748: 2m 4f) (5 runners)

1 01-6055 CARFAX 20 (CD,G,S) (Mrs P A O'Connell) R Hoad 8-11-4 M Hoad 94
2 P0PP-5P JELLY MORTON 29 (D Pengelly) M Williams 8-11-2 M Foster 58
3 /362/26- RIYADH LIGHTS 17F (D,F) (B Fry) M Usher 8-11-0 H Davies 82
4 P-60020 ALBURY GREY 64 (F) (Drayton Fencing Racing) P McEntee 6-10-11. Philip McEntee (7) 81
5 1343-00 LADY POLY 69 (CD) (R Stone) R Stone 5-10-7 S Hodgson ●

BETTING: 5-4 Carfax, 2-1 Riyadh Lights, 5-1 Albury Grey, 8-1 Lady Poly, 10-1 Jelly Morton.

1992: CAROLES CLOWN 6-10-8 J Railton (11-4) M Haynes 12 ran

COURSE SPECIALISTS

| TRAINERS | Wins | Rnrs | % | JOCKEYS | Winners | Rides | % |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| F Murphy | 3 | 5 | 60.0 | A Bates | 3 | 6 | 50.0 |
| S Dow | 18 | 40 | 45.0 | A Dicken | 16 | 33 | 48.5 |
| C Benstead | 7 | 16 | 43.8 | Miss S A Billot | 3 | 9 | 33.3 |
| T Thomson Jones | 9 | 22 | 40.9 | S Smith Eccles | 7 | 23 | 30.4 |
| R Akehurst | 3 | 8 | 37.5 | A Maguire | 14 | 47 | 29.8 |
| Miss B Sanders | 22 | 63 | 34.9 | D J Burchell | 4 | 14 | 28.6 |

## GUIDE TO OUR IN-LINE RACECARD

1 113143 GOOD TIMES 13 (BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 12-0 B West (7) 88

Racecard number. Six-figure form (F — fell. P — pulled up. U — unseated rider. B — brought down. S — slipped up. R — refused. D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing; F if flat. (B — blinkers. V — visor. H — hood. E — Eyeshield. C — course winner. D — distance winner. CD — course and distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard. G — good S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

### 2.00 BIRD IN THE HAND HANDICAP HURDLE
(£1,892: 2m 6f) (8 runners)

1 11-118U SAFETY 17F (B,C,F) (K Sturgis) J White 6-11-10 A Maguire 90
2 213-205 MASTER DANCER 89 (CD,G,S) (C Billot) M Bastard 6-11-6 Miss S A Billot 90
3 10/823-3 BEN ZABEEDY 59 (F) (C Bait) R Akehurst 8-11-8 H Davies 92
4 623102 GALLANT EFFORT 21 (C,S) (T Keep) S Dow 5-10-13 A Dicken (5) ●
5 20-0P4U MR TAYLOR 25 (F) (H Collingridge) H Collingridge 8-10-5 V Smith 97
6 121224- ABERFOYLE 253F (C,S) (K Moorcroft) Miss G Kelleway 5-10-0 A Bates (7) 98
7 556-356 LIRE LAD 10 (B Brereton) P Rodford 7-10-0 I Shoemark 92
8 051P-0 JARRWAH 22 (C) (A Cadoral) J Spearing 5-10-0 A Webb 84

Long handicap: Aberfoyle 9-14, Lirle lad 9-12, Jarrwah 8-10.

BETTING: 5-2 Gallant Effort, 3-1 Ben Zabeedy, 4-1 Aberfoyle, 5-1 Safety, 8-1 Master Dancer, 12-1 others.

1992: MASTER DANCER 5-11-8 Miss A Billot (6-1) T Thomson Jones 11 ran

### 2.30 ROLLING STONE NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE
(£1,733: 2m 4f) (12 runners)

1 01 LADY GHISLAINE 34 (S) (D Magnier) J White 6-11-10 B Clifford (3) 93
2 0-45 SPINNING STEEL 74 (Ladyswood Racing Club) M Meade 6-11-9 J Railton 92
3 05-F15P CHEAP METAL 80 (B,D,F) (Mrs B Coley) R Ingram 8-11-8 W Humphreys 98
4 0136-00 HEDGEHOPPER 24 (T Davis) C Weedon 5-11-7 M Brown (7) 97
5 0P/000P- PIMPERNEL KING 229 (P Ryan) P Burgoyne 7-11-5 D Gallagher –
6 5-00F65 EAGLE BID 43 (R Sayer) S Dow 5-11-2 A Dicken (5) 95
7 2F33-P0 CASINO MAGIC 22 (A Wilson) J Spearing 9-11-1 A Webb 97
8 000P5 THE HOLY GOLFER 25 (W Dore) D Gandolfo 6-11-0 A Maguire 97
9 000/48 MILITARY EXPRESS 22 (L Corbett) L Corbett 10-11-0 Mr S Joynes (7) 82
10 03U0- MICRONOVA 362 (Mrs C Humphrey) T Thomson Jones 7-10-12 S Smith Eccles –
11 6-44636 DISTANT HOME 81 (Mrs D Hickman) C Jones 5-10-5 W Marston (5) ●
12 00/560 ALDAHE 22 (D Arthur) B Forsey 8-10-2 I Shoemark 98

BETTING: 3-1 Lady Ghislaine, 3-1 Cheap Metal, 4-1 Distant Home, 6-1 Aldahe, 8-1 Spinning Steel, 10-1 others.

1992: GALLANT EFFORT 4-11-7 H Davies (4-6 fav) S Dow 7 ran

### 3.00 MANY HANDS NOVICES HURDLE
(Div II: £1,792: 2m) (11 runners)

1 UPP-600 ARISTOCRATIC PETER 77 (Mrs L Browning) D Browning 6-11-6 J Akehurst –
2 0- CAPTAIN GREG 272 (A Broderick) P Burgoyne 6-11-6 D Gallagher –
3 0 DENNINGTON 38 (G Hubbard) F Murphy 5-11-6 A Maguire –
4 00/00 KALABUCK 47 (D Tucker) D C Tucker 6-11-6 J Keaves (7) –
5 0U000-3 SAKIL 19 (Mrs M Devine) S Dow 5-11-6 A Dicken (5) 62
6 P- SOUTARI 17F (Mrs S Marks) M McCormack 5-11-6 I Lawrence –
7 300P50 TREMBALINO 26 (D Hooper. P Rodford. S Watkins) P Rodford 5-11-6 I Shoemark 72
8 06U3- BELLING BELLING 271 (BF) (Mrs J Hemsley) C Jones 5-11-1 M Bosley 56
9 412310 NOMADIC ROSE 45 (D,F,S) (G Wiltshire) T Naughton 4-10-11 W Marston (5) ●
10 40 AL HAAL 29 (J Joseph) J Joseph 4-10-6 D Skyrme 73
11 000360 ROYAL CIRCUS 20 (P Hiatt) P Hiatt 4-10-6 D J Burchell 64

BETTING: Evens Nomadic Rose, 4-1 Sakil, 6-1 Al Haal, 10-1 Dennington, Royal Circus, 12-1 others.

1992: NO CORRESPONDING DIVISION

### 3.30 BAD PENNY MAIDEN HURDLE (£1,836: 2m 4f) (10 runners)

1 00PP-00 CHUKKARIO 21 (R Cheetham) P Mitchell 7-11-7 G Moore –
2 6PP/P6 ELWADI 21 (L Vine) R Hoad 6-11-7 M Hoad –
3 3-F5RF5 NOTHINGBUTPLEASURE 41 (Quantocks Racing) C Popham 7-11-7 W McFarland –
4 6 PETTAUGH 34 (G Hubbard) F Murphy 5-11-7 A Maguire 76
5 003F63- SINGING DETECTIVE 194F (Elaine Mills & K Powell) P McEntee 6-11-7 Philip McEntee (7) 73
6 U4F236 TOUCH OF WINTER 17 (M Kwiatkowski) K Bailey 7-11-7 J Railton ●
7 304/0- HELLO LADY 358 (J Deveney) D Murray-Smith 6-11-2 D Gallagher –
8 0-0 LIRELLA 22 (B Brereton) P Rodford 6-11-2 I Shoemark –
9 P/3020P- MASCALLS LADY 238 (Mrs M Cox) N Thomson 8-11-2 J Neaves (7) –
10 P0 ROBERT'S REJECT 19 (J Poulton) Mrs M Long 6-11-2 Mr J O'Brien 82

BETTING: 4-5 Touch Of Winter, 4-1 Pettaugh, 5-1 Singing Detective, 8-1 Nothingbutpleasure, 10-1 others.

1992: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

## RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY'S TWO MEETINGS

### Newbury

Going: soft

12.00 (2m 1f ch) 1, TRAVADO (R Dunwoody, 8-15 fav); 2, Ambrose (Mr G Johnson Houghton, 6-1); 3, Atropos (G Bradley, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 25 Steepline Romany (4th). 4 ran. NR: Mr Jamboree, Barge Boy, Jumbeau, No Reply. 10l, 20l, dist. N Henderson at Lambourn. Tote: £1.20; £1.70. DF: £2.20. CSF: £3.21. Mr Jamboree (6-1) was withdrawn not under orders — rule 4 applies to all bets, deduction 10p in pound. Jumbeau (10-1) was withdrawn not under orders — rule 4 applies to all bets, deduction 5p in pound.

12.30 (2m 1f ch) 1, STORM ALERT (S McNeill, 7-4 fav); 2, Amari King (C Llewellyn, 10-1); 3, Space Fair (A Maguire, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 15-8 Shamana (pu), 10 Welsh Bard (4th), 14 The Dragon Master (f), 33 Greenheart (f). 7 ran. NR: Fragrant Dawn, Its Nearly Time. 2l, ½l, 25l. A Turnell at Wantage. Tote: £2.40; £1.60, £3.40. DF: £13.90. CSF: £17.51. Tricast: £67.93.

1.00 (2m 5f hdle) 1, HAWTHORN BLAZE (P Scudamore, 13-8 fav); 2, Switch (G Bradley, 10-1); 3, Shadeux (M A Fitzgerald, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 11-4 Marlin Dancer (pu), 100-30 Buonarroti (4th), 10 Primitive Singer (5th). 6 ran. NR: Garrison Savannah, Proving, File Concord, Truth Be Told. 10l, ½l, 1½l, dist. M Pipe at Wellington. Tote: £2.00; £1.50, £3.90. DF: £8.10. Trio: £35.40. CSF: £15.70. Tricast: £112.82.

1.30 (2m 5f hdle) 1, SUN SURFER (C Llewellyn, 9-4); 2, Uluru (J Kavanagh, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 4-11 fav Al Mutahm (pu). 3 ran. 12l. T Forster at Wantage. Tote: £3.10. DF: £6.00. CSF: £13.87.

2.00 (3m ch) 1, YOUNG HUSTLER (P Scudamore, 7-2); 2, Dublin Flyer (C Llewellyn, 3-1); 3, Travelling Wrong (R Dunwoody, 4-5 fav). ALSO RAN: 12 Annio Chilone (4th). 4 ran. NR: Camelot Knight, Cythere, Devongale. 12l, 15l, dist. N Twiston-Davies at Cheltenham. Tote: £4.80; £5.70. DF: £4.60. CSF: £12.33.

2.30 (3m 110yd hdle) 1, HOWARYADOON (G Rowe, 20-1); 2, Passed Pawn (M Foster, 7-1); 3, Sir Crusty (V Slattery, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Ebony Gale (4th), 7 Shahdjat (5th), Poacher's Delight, 10 Swilly Express, Mohell, Emerald Sunset, 12 Artful Abbot, 14 Just As Hopeful (pu), 16 Marradong Brook (6th). 12 ran. NR: Just A Second. 2l, 4l, 2½l, ½l, 2½l. R Rowe at Pulborough. Tote: £38.10; £8.00, £1.80, £6.90. DF: £494.30. CSF: £151.78. Tricast: £2,614.21.

3.00 (2m 110yd flat) 1, GOLDEN SPINNER (Mr C Vigors, 13-2); 2, Marrob (G Heaver, 12-1); 3, Sound Carrier (J McCarthy, 9-2 fav). ALSO RAN: 5 Noble Auk, Polar Hat, King's Maverick (5th), 11-2 Whistling Buck, 7 Factor Ten (6th), 10 Lime Street, 14 Rivage Bleu, 16 Old Father Time, 25 Arthurlly (pu), Tothewoods (4th), 33 Lady Alys. 14 ran. NR: Celtic Laird, Caipirinha. 12l, 2l, ½l, 2½l, 2l. N Henderson at Lambourn. Tote: £10.30; £3.90, £3.60, £2.70. DF: £24.50. CSF: £90.64.

3.30 (2m 110yd flat) 1, A FORTIORI (M Foster, 7-4 fav); 2, Case Harden (Pat Thompson, 10-1); 3, Winnowing (Mr J Durkan, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Dundee Prince (6th), 13-2 Tax The Devil, 8 Ramstar, 10 Marti Brown, 12 Aunt Ada (5th), 16 Outcrop, 20 Bengazee, 33 Granny's Lad, Leapin, Manner's Bow, Whist Watch, Private Jet (4th). 15 ran. 2l, sh hd, 6l, 6l, 6l. M Pipe at Wellington. Tote: £3.70; £1.20, £3.90, £1.70. DF: £20.40. CSF: £23.47.

Placepot: £364.10. Jackpot: £14,582.60.

### Southwell

Going: standard

1.10 (1m) 1, TACIT MAC (D Holland, 7-1); 2, Diamond Inthe Dark (L Charnock, 16-1); 3, Lock Keeper (S Wynne, 9-2 fav). 4, East Barns (Alex Greaves, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 6 Sirtelimar (5th), Nobby Barnes (6th), 13-2 Eastleigh, 16 Albert, 20 Mellonby, Lily's Lover, Chanoleer, 25 Scottish Park, Shannon Express, Serious Action, Hot Punch, 33 Comiskey Park. 16 ran. 1½l, 3l, 1½l, 2l, sh hd. W O'Gorman at Newmarket. Tote: £16.50; £3.00, £10.80, £1.40, £1.70. DF: £130.60. CSF: £110.32. Tricast: £524.79.

1.40 (1m 4f) 1, TEMPERING (S Wood, 4-6 fav); 2, Ferdia (W Ryan, 9-2); 3, Silver Samurai (S Mulvey, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 12 Eliza Wooding (4th), 25 Derry Reef (6th), 33 Summer Sands (5th). 6 ran. 7l, 3l, 12l, 10l, hd. D Chapman at Stillington. Tote: £1.50; £1.10, £2.60. DF: £2.50. CSF: £4.11.

2.10 (1m) 1, BRACKENTHWAITE (V Halliday, 9-4 fav); 2, Rose Flyer (S Wood, 20-1); 3, Mister Blake (Emma O'Gorman, 5-2). ALSO RAN: 11-4 Convoy, 11-2 Scoffera (4th), 14 Bellacascade (5th), 20 Musical Phone (6th). 7 ran. NR: Free Dancer. 1½l, 12l, 5l, 15l, 4l. T Barron at Thirsk. Tote: £3.10; £1.90, £5.40. DF: £26.10. CSF: £35.41. Tricast: £107.08.

2.40 (6f) 1, NIKKI NOO NOO (G Bardwell, 100-30); 2, Deanlera (J Carroll, 2-1 fav); 3, Pine Ridge Lad (R P Elliott, 7-1). ALSO RAN: 4 Girl Next Door (4th), 8 Soleil Rayon (5th), 12 Hershebar (6th), 14 Pytchley Dawn, 20 Elska Dig, 33 Boumerka, 50 Pink City. 10 ran. NR: Apollo de Oriente. 3l, ¾l, nk, 2l, 7l. C Hill at Barnstaple. Tote: £4.60; £1.40, £1.40, £2.30. DF: £9.40. CSF: £10.61.

3.10 (7f) 1, PRIME MOVER (L Charnock, 12-1); 2, Claudia Miss (Dale Gibson, 12-1); 3, Johnston's Express (J Quinn, 15-8 fav). ALSO RAN: 3 Allinson's Mate (4th), 7 Pesidanamich (5th), Panikin (6th), 12 Wellsy Lad, 25 Amenable. 8 ran. Nk, nk, 5l, 1½l, 1l. D Burchell at Ebbw Vale. Tote: £15.20; £2.30, £2.30, £1.50. DF: £69.50. CSF: £117.15. Tricast: £347.92.

3.40 (1m 6f) 1, ATLANTIC WAY (G Bardwell, 6-4 fav); 2, Master's Crown (D Biggs, 8-1); 3, Dancing Days (A Garth, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Moot Point (4th), 7 Luks Akura (6th), 15-2 Port In A Storm, 8 Sir Pageant, 10 Invisible Armour, 12 No More The Fool (5th), 16 Blackwater Panther. 10 ran. 2½l, 1l, 10l, 2l, 10l. C Hill at Barnstaple. Tote: £2.90; £2.10, £3.20, £10.70. DF: £14.90. CSF: £15.31. Tricast: £220.37.

Placepot: £15.70.

□ Wolverhampton abandoned due to frost.

□ Blitzkreig has been confirmed as a runner for the Victor Chandler Chase, at Ascot on Saturday week, by trainer Edward O'Grady. The ten-year-old won the race two years ago.

## Hill makes hay again

JOHN Hill, the Barnstaple trainer, enjoyed another profitable Southwell meeting when Nikki Noo Noo and Atlantic Way ran out impressive winners on the Fibresand track yesterday.

Nikki Noo Noo, backed from 7-1 to 100-30, won the Aladdin Claiming Stakes and Atlantic Way (2-1 to 6-4) completed the double for Hill and Gary Bardwell in the Cinderella Handicap.

Tempering continued where he left off last year when recording his tenth course success in the Jack and the Beanstalk Claiming Stakes.

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### Atherton stands out as Delhi's probing bowling attack provides a test for touring team

# Jarvis lets England's advantage slip away

FROM PETER BALL IN FARIDABAD

AFTER the tedium of Sunday, spectators in the Nahar Singh stadium saw a much better day's cricket yesterday. Whether England enjoyed it is more doubtful, bowlers and batsmen letting things slip after apparently establishing positions of strength to end the second day trailing by 132 runs with five wickets in hand.

England's day was encapsulated by the experiences of Paul Jarvis. The Yorkshire fast bowler has already made his mark on this tour, impressing in the nets and on the opening day. Yesterday morning in the first hour he again bowled with vim and vigour to claim two early wickets.

His figures then were three for 19 in 19.3 overs. Five and a half overs later, Jarvis's characteristic swagger was less pronounced as he retired, wounded, with three for 61.

To complete his day, he was sent in as nightwatchman. Baffled by Maninder Singh, he was bowled by Kirti Azad, offering no stroke. England's batting, though, should not need to rely on Jarvis.

Apart from Atherton, who was his usual dependable self until he succumbed to a tired push as Kirti Azad weaved his late spell, none of the other batsmen built on good starts.

Although he had been beaten outside off stump two or three times by Vivek Razdan, Gooch appeared well established until his concentration was broken by the drinks interval when he received treatment for a stiff back, and then got up to drive to extra cover.

Stewart was less comfortable to begin with, but seemed to have overcome his difficulties only to be trapped leg-before. Gatting, who had confessed to being nervous about his first England innings for more than three years, did not look it, playing some fine strokes until Kirti Azad turned rude health into uncertainty and he was bowled off arm and thigh giving himself room against the off spinner.

Azad's days as a Test player are in the distant past. As a trundler of almost medium-pace off cutters, he played against Fletcher's team 11 years ago and in the 1983 World Cup final. Now he bowls off spin with some fizz.

In the Ranji Trophy it has made little impact this year, producing only seven wickets in four games. Its impact on the England batsmen was much more profound as he removed Gatting, Atherton and Jarvis in 7.1 overs for eight runs.

What Maninder thought, as he bowled on beautifully without reward, can only be guessed at. Once seen as the successor to Bishen Bedi, he has since suffered one of the worst cases of "yips", to which slow left-arm bowlers seem especially prone.

His rehabilitation is proceeding apace. Yesterday, resplendent in his pink patka, he came in off his new run, beginning with a little kick-start, to wheel down his mysteries of flight and spin. India's depth of slow bowling is evidently not confined to the team in South Africa, and he stood up well in any comparison with England's leading purveyor, Phil Tufnell, although two late wickets may prove priceless in restoring the latter's equanimity.

Tufnell's wickets did not come a moment too soon as the Delhi tail wagged ferociously. Starts at 9.30am are perhaps the best friends a seam bowler can have on the subcontinent, and, with a new ball as well, Jarvis, Malcolm and Lewis exploited the conditions.

In the second over with the new ball, Jarvis found extra bounce for Bhaskar to edge to Stewart. Four overs later, Kirti Azad became Stewart's third catch as he edged a forcing stroke. Then Lewis, who had consistently found the most movement on the first day, replaced Malcolm to trap Hitesh Sharma with one that nipped back after he had added one run to his overnight score in 45 minutes.

In all, the Delhi bank clerk had spent 405 minutes over his 88 from 299 balls. It is to be hoped that none of the students from the School for Impressionable Minds, whose hoarding adorns the road from Delhi, were there to witness it.



Close call: Atherton takes evasive action as Ajay Sharma, of Delhi, plays a late cut wide of Stewart, the England wicketkeeper, yesterday

DELHI: First Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| M Nayyar c Stewart b Jarvis | 11 |
| H Sharma low b Lewis | 88 |
| Bantu Singh c Lewis b Hick | 15 |
| A K Sharma c Hick b Lewis | 30 |
| K P Bhaskar c Stewart b Jarvis | 27 |
| *Kirti Azad c Stewart b Jarvis | 4 |
| V Razdan c Fairbrother b Lewis | 8 |
| Maninder Singh c Hick b Malcolm | 26 |
| A S Wassan low b Tufnell | 30 |
| F Ghayas st Stewart b Tufnell | 6 |
| †M Chaturvedi not out | 8 |
| Extras (b 2, lb 14, w 2, nb 15) | 33 |
| Total | 286 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-28, 2-85, 3-151, 4-195, 5-201, 6-209, 7-211, 8-272, 9-272.
BOWLING: Malcolm 24-9-50-1; Jarvis 25-8-61-3, Lewis 26-3-70-3; Tufnell 23.3-4-68-2; Recve 8-2-11-0; Hick 10-5-12-1.

ENGLAND XI: First Innings

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|---|---|
| *G A Gooch c Maninder Singh b Razdan | 24 |
| M A Atherton c Sharma b Kirti Azad | 59 |
| †A J Stewart low b Wassan | 19 |
| M W Gatting b Kirti Azad | 25 |
| G A Hick not out | 11 |
| P W Jarvis b Kirti Azad | 1 |
| Extras (b 4, lb 2, nb 9) | 15 |
| Total (5 wkts) | 154 |

N H Fairbrother, C C Lewis, D A Reeve, P C R Tufnell and D E Malcolm to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-42, 2-86, 3-139, 4-150, 5-154.

BOWLING: Razdan 13-4-23-1; Wassan 14-2-37-1; Ghyas 6-0-28-0; Maninder Singh 20-3-52-0; Kirti Azad 7.1-2-8-3.

Umpires: V K Ramaswamy and R Rathore.

# Donald thwarts go-slow tactics

FROM RICHARD STREETON IN CAPE TOWN

INDIA batted even more slowly than South Africa had done in their innings on the third day of the fourth Test match here yesterday. In a travesty of what was supposed to be a competitive, international occasion, there was no reprieve for Test cricket's reputation as the Indians managed 148 runs in six hours.

Prabhakar, who lingered nearly 5¼ hours for 62, and Manjrekar, who was in 4½ hours for 46, were the chief culprits in an unimaginative display. Nor did these negative tactics succeed, for in the final 40 minutes Donald and McMillan took three wickets with the new ball.

At least this brought an eleventh-hour fillip to one of the dreariest days in Test match history as India reached 161 for five by the close.

Starting with the 95 runs Australia and Pakistan shared on the opening day of a Test match at Karachi in 1956-57, the list of fewest runs scored in a day is headed by matches played in countries outside England, where there is normally only 5½ hours of play each day.

England and New Zealand shared 151 runs on the third day at Lord's in 1978 in a six-hour day and it is possible that India's performance in this game is the worst ever for a day of such duration. Whether it is or is not can be left to the statisticians.

Clearly the Indians made up their minds before the start that they would not be able to win, after South Africa occupied the crease for virtually the first two days. Sadly, though, India were far more culpable than their opponents.

The touring team quite obviously settled for not losing face, which is so important on the subcontinent. A draw here, and if possible a first innings lead, meaning the series would only be lost 1-0, might slightly tone down the jeering that undoubtedly awaits them after a poor tour when they arrive home at Bombay Airport next weekend.

There were also personal considerations involved. Manjrekar, for instance, would have been twelfth man if Raman had been fit and he was definitely playing for his place against England in the coming weeks.

Jadeja survived an early chance to slip before he was caught at gully after an hour when India resumed at 13 without loss. By lunch 52 runs had come.

The only incidents worth recording were that Prabhakar, at 33, had a let-off when Henry was unable to hold a low return catch, and Manjrekar, when two, swept against Henry and the ball lodged in the grille of Hudson's helmet at short leg. Hudson appealed but the ball, of course, under the laws, was "dead."

In the afternoon a further 48 runs were scored as Prabhakar and Manjrekar endlessly prodded forward. Prabhakar was finally caught after tea when 85 had been added in 58 overs.

South Africa took a new ball at 138 and Donald, in spite of the near 100-degree temperature, underlined his growing stature with two wickets in his first four overs.

First he caused Amre to steer a catch to second slip. Then Manjrekar fended off a lifting ball into short leg's hands. Just before the end McMillan had Azharuddin caught behind, edging an outswinger.

SOUTH AFRICA: First Innings 360 (J N Rhodes 86, B M McMillan 82).

INDIA: First Innings

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|---|---|
| A D Jadeja c Kirsten b McMillan | 19 |
| M Prabhakar c Wessels b Henry | 62 |
| S V Manjrekar c Hudson b Donald | 46 |
| P K Amre c McMillan b Donald | 6 |
| S R Tendulkar not out | 9 |
| *M Azharuddin c Richardson b McMillan | 7 |
| S L V Raju not out | 2 |
| Extras (lb 6, w 3, nb 1) | 10 |
| Total (5 wkts) | 161 |

Kapil Dev, †K S More, A R Kumble and J Srinath to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-44, 2-129, 3-138, 4-144, 5-153.

BOWLING: Donald 24-10-37-2; McMillan 24-5-44-2; Matthews 18-8-25-0; Cronje 10-4-7-0; Henry 21-5-42-1.

Umpires: D R Shepherd (Eng), S B Lambson and K E Liebenber (both S Africa).

# Bold Lara scores first Test century

Sydney: A record, unbroken partnership between Richie Richardson, the captain, and Brian Lara, who scored his maiden Test century, enabled the West Indies to keep Australia at bay on a rain-affected third day of the third Test here.

When rain swept in to force an early close, the West Indies, who had been set 304 to avoid the follow-on, had reached 248 for two.

The third-wicket stand of 217, made at almost a run a minute, was the highest in Australia by the West Indies, beating the 198 between Lawrence Rowe and Alvin Kallicharran in Brisbane on the 1975-76 tour.

Neither batsman made a mistake and the main disappointment was that the rain prevented Richardson, who is 94 not out, from completing his own hundred.

The two players embraced in the middle of the pitch, to a standing ovation from the 15,000 crowd, when Lara reached his hundred. It came off 125 balls in two hours and 50 minutes and included 15 fours. Richardson has so far hit 11 fours.

They had come together with the score at 31, after Desmond Haynes had edged a ball from Greg Matthews through his legs and on to the stumps. The other opening batsman, Phil Simmons, had been dismissed on the second day for three.

From the start, Richardson and Lara pushed the score along with sweet hooks and drives, taking advantage of the lightning-fast outfield.

Their display, on a pitch still ideal for stroke-making, showed the Australian batting in a rather painstaking light. The home side had taken almost two days to amass its total in the hope that the pitch would deteriorate.

Lara later discounted suggestions that the West Indies' best hope was a draw on a ground where they have not won for 32 years. "On this pitch I'm looking forward to a double century," he said. "We are still in the game ... if we get past their total quickly we can put them under pressure."

The Trinidadian, heralded for years as a future Test batsman, after leading the West Indies youth team, has had to bide his time while waiting for the old guard to bow out.

"It was a bit frustrating," he said. "But it is very hard to replace players like Viv Richards and Gordon Greenidge after all that they have done for West Indies cricket."

To the disappointment of the Australian captain, Allan Border, the surface gave no help to his slow bowlers, despite hopes raised by the early wicket for Matthews.

The leg spinner, Shane Warne, who took seven wickets in the second innings to help win the Melbourne Test, made no impression and was allowed only 14 overs, which cost him 39 runs.

Over two hours were lost to the rain during the day and more rain is forecast for the final two days. *(Agencies)*

AUSTRALIA: First Innings 508-9 dec (S R Waugh 100, G R J Matthews 78, D C Boon 76, A R Border 74).

WEST INDIES: First Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| D L Haynes b Matthews | 22 |
| P V Simmons c Taylor b McDermott | 3 |
| *R B Richardson not out | 94 |
| B C Lara not out | 121 |
| Extras (b 1, lb 3, w 1, nb 3) | 8 |
| Total (2 wkts) | 248 |

K L T Arthurton, C L Hooper, J C Adams, I R Bishop, C E L Ambrose and C A Walsh to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-13, 2-31.

BOWLING: McDermott 17-1-72-1; Hughes 6-0-34-0; Matthews 18-1-48-1; S R Waugh 6-1-29-0; Warne 14-0-39-0; Border 7-0-20-0; M E Waugh 0.5-0-2-0.

Umpires: D Hair and T Prue.

# New Zealand and Pakistan teams cautioned by referee

**Hamilton:** A three-wicket burst by Wasim Akram towards the end of a day in which 15 wickets fell revived Pakistan's hopes of beating New Zealand here in the only Test of their tour.

A bad-tempered third day at Trust Bank Park ended with New Zealand 39 for three, still 88 runs short of their first Test win over Pakistan since 1985.

The match referee, Peter Burge, issued a general warning to the managements of both teams after the close of play. "I have had a concern at the amount of 'sledging' between players that appears to have occurred at various times during this Test match," Burge said.

After bringing a quick end to the New Zealand first innings, Pakistan managed only 174 in their second innings, leaving their hosts a modest 127 for victory.

However, Akram dismissed both openers, Hartland and Greatbatch, the first innings century-maker and then trapped Morrison, the night-watchman, leg-before. He was twice no-balled for bouncers as he intimidated New Zealand's batsmen into playing some rash strokes on a pitch that appeared to be starting to break up.



Patel: at heart of storm

The New Zealand all-rounder, Dipak Patel, was at the centre of the day's main flashpoint. Patel, fielding at short leg, appeared to say something which enraged the batsman, Rashid Latif, who complained angrily to the umpires, who spoke to Patel and the New Zealand captain, Ken Rutherford. Gesticulations and angry words continued and Rashid had to be physically restrained from approaching Patel by the umpire, Aldridge.

Rutherford declined to comment on the incident, but said it was one of several during Pakistan's two-week tour.

"Whenever you play the Pakistanis there's always that over-competitive edge to the game. There's always some banter going on, some of it not all that happy," he said.

The third day began predictably with Akram and Waqar Younis mopping up the tailenders for the addition of eight runs, limiting New Zealand's lead to 40.

Sohail was then bowled by the first ball of the Pakistan second innings as Danny Morrison tore through the top of the batting order, finishing with figures of five for 41, his best in Test cricket. Murphy Su'a, the left-armer, followed his five wickets in the first innings by bowling Javed Miandad.

But from 39 for five, Pakistani rallied through the efforts of Inzamam-ul-Haq and wicketkeeper Latif, who added 80 for the sixth wicket.

Inzamam played any number of high-class strokes in an innings of 75, but once he was out the end came quickly.

Akram reached new peaks of hostility when New Zealand's second innings began. Hartland, who had received treatment for a head wound on Sunday, was again struck on the helmet as Akram bowled successive short-pitched deliveries.

After being softened up, Greatbatch jabbed at a short-pitched ball and top-edged to Sohail at slip. Hartland soon followed and Morrison lasted for only two balls, leaving Andrew Jones and Parore to survive uneasily. *(Reuter)*

PAKISTAN: First Innings 216 (Javed Miandad 92; M L Su'a 5 for 73)

Second Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| Aamir Sohail b Morrison | 0 |
| Ramiz Raja c Parore b Morrison | 8 |
| Asif Mujtaba low b Morrison | 11 |
| *Javed Miandad low b Su'a | 12 |
| Salim Malik c Su'a b Morrison | 0 |
| Inzamam-ul-Haq low b Owens | 75 |
| †Rashid Latif c Rutherford b Su'a | 33 |
| Wasim Akram b Patel | 15 |
| Waqar Younis not out | 4 |
| Mushtaq Ahmed c Rutherford b Morrison | 10 |
| Aqib Javed c Hartland b Patel | 2 |
| Extras (lb 2, nb 2) | 4 |
| Total | 174 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-20, 3-25, 4-25, 5-39, 6-119, 7-159, 8-159, 9-171.

BOWLING: Morrison 16-2-47-5; Su'a 13-1-47-2; Owens 7-0-19-1; Patel 20.1-5-55-2.

NEW ZEALAND: First Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| M J Greatbatch low b Waqar | 139 |
| B R Hartland st Rashid b Mushtaq | 43 |
| A H Jones low b Wasim | 2 |
| R T Latham low b Akram | 2 |
| *K R Rutherford c Rashid b Mushtaq | 14 |
| C Z Harris low b Waqar | 6 |
| D N Patel low b Mushtaq | 12 |
| †A C Parore low b Wasim | 16 |
| M L Su'a c Rashid b Waqar | 0 |
| D K Morrison not out | 3 |
| M B Owens b Waqar | 0 |
| Extras (b 1, lb 16, nb 16, w 1) | 33 |
| Total | 284 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-108, 2-111, 3-117, 4-147, 5-184, 6-193, 7-254, 8-266, 9-257.

BOWLING: Wasim Akram 31-8-86-3; Waqar 28-11-59-4; Mushtaq 38-10-87-3; Aqib 7-2-24-0; Aamir 5-2-12-0.

Second Innings

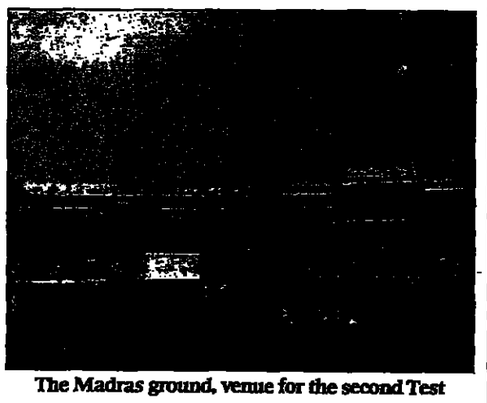
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|---|---|
| B R Hartland b Wasim | 9 |
| M J Greatbatch c Aamir b Wasim | 8 |
| A H Jones not out | 11 |
| D K Morrison low b Wasim | 0 |
| †A C Parore not out | 0 |
| Extras (b 1, lb 3, nb 7) | 11 |
| Total (3 wkts) | 39 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-19, 2-31, 3-32.

BOWLING: Wasim 10-3-16-3; Aqib 8-2-14-0; Waqar 2-1-5-0.


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**POTSY**

**(a)** The badge of office worn by a policeman or a fireman in North-eastern US. 1932-, from (the name of a squashed tin thrown instead of a stone in) a game similar to hopscotch: 1952: "This boniface has been wearing his potsy as house dick for only a brief time."

**WANDEROBO**

**(n)** The name of a nomadic hunting tribe of Kenya, native name: Primitive hunting tribes are the Wanderobo in Masailand and scattered tribes of small stature in various parts." "He was attacked by the men of the rain forest, the Wanderobo."

**SORBIAN**

**(n)** A Slavonic language once used widely in Saxony: "Sorbian means pertaining to the Sorbs or their language." "Soviet linguists talk about two Sorbian languages (Upper and Lower Sorbian), Western scholars about two Sorbian dialects."

**AMORCE**

**(n)** A charge of fine-grained powder for priming a small fire-arm; a cap for a toy pistol; from the OF amorse, à mordre to bite, hence small quantity of manufactured amorces, he not having a licence for the sale of explosives. These toy pistol caps were made of a very dangerous explosive."

*Solution:white bulldozes through with 1 Rd7+1 Bxd7 2 Qxf7+ Kf8 3 Qc8+ mating.*

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# Supporters celebrate Probyn's tight-head technique

BY PETER BILLS

DAVID Sole, Scotland's retired international captain, accused him of effectively cheating while Fran Cotton, one of England's greatest prop forwards, calls him "the cornerstone of the England pack". These are typically diverse opinions of Jeff Probyn's scrummaging.

England's tight-head prop, recalled to the side this week for his sixth season of international rugby, excites an array of comment regarding his technique, which has been questioned by opponents, championed by teammates. Yet the north London furniture maker who began his international career at 31, an age when many national selectors would scorn further selection, has long been England's most important forward.

"Take him away and England are not the same team, in my opinion," Cotton said. "Tight head is an aggressiveposition. You are trying to disrupt. Probyn does that extremely well and a good pack of forwards is built around a quality tight head. What he does is deflect pressure so well." Cotton is reminded of Robert Paparemborde, the French prop, when he watches Probyn, who will be 37 in April.

Sole, though, is less complimentary about an opponent he regarded as a transgressor of the laws "in the sense that he habitually utilises illegal means with which to put pressure on his opposite number. He is effectively cheating."

Sole pointed out that the laws require a prop to bind properly by holding an opponent's jersey on his shoulder



Probyn: controversial

or back. Probyn's technique is to pull at the loose head's left elbow, wrenching him aside from his hooker, bringing him low down and reducing his value to the scrummage.

This upsets the balance of the opposition's scrummage. It allows Probyn to then drive across the scrum and attack the opposition hooker and, by pulling down his opponent, partially restrict the view of the rival hooker on his own scrum feed.

Sole was so concerned at Probyn's penchant for pulling on the elbow of the jersey that he took to cutting off the material from one arm whenever he faced the Englishman.

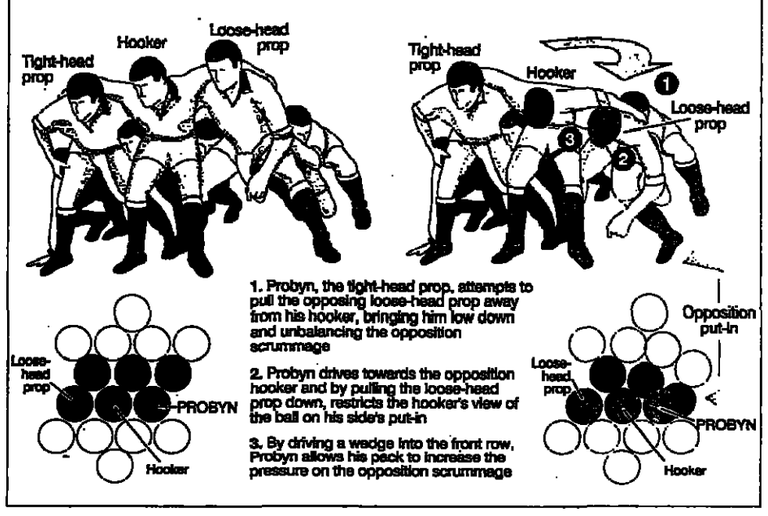
Nevertheless, Cotton scoffs at the Scotsman's claims. "David Sole had a psychological block when it came to Probyn," he said. "Any prop that cuts his shirt off goes on to the field saying I am playing against a better man today."

Probyn made his international debut against France in Paris in 1988. Opposing him that day was Pascal Ondarts, who remembers him well from that first contest and applauds his return to the England side.

"He is a very good prop," Ondarts said. "In France, you are too old at 35 but in England they still pick you and that is good. Probyn is very similar to Garuet in his play. By choosing him, England will make it very hard for the French at Twickenham. Armary will have a difficult game against him. My battles with Probyn were good. He is technically so strong, an outstanding player."

Ken Milne, the Scottish hooker who has often been the recipient of Probyn's power, calls him one of the most awkward scrummagers he has experienced. Clearly, he is that and his worth in England's scrum remains considerable. Age is no barrier to strength and technique.

**WHY PROBYN IS SO EFFECTIVE IN THE SCRUM**




1. Probyn, the tight-head prop, attempts to pull the opposing loose-head prop away from his hooker, bringing him low down and unbalancing the opposition scrummage

2. Probyn drives towards the opposition hooker and by pulling the loose-head prop down, restricts the hooker's view of the ball on his side's put-in

3. By driving a wedge into the front row, Probyn allows his pack to increase the pressure on the opposition scrummage

### Leicester flanker's selection keeps his international hopes alive

# Back called up for England A side

BY DAVID HANDS
RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

DAVID ROGERS/SPORTSLINE



On the ball: Guscott, left, and Tony Underwood relax during England's training trip to Lanzarote

NEIL Back's international future may be limited by his size, according to England's management hierarchy, but at least he has one: the Leicester flanker was included yesterday in the XV to play France in an A international on his home ground, Leicester, on January 15, the eve of the opening five nations' championship weekend.

Back was controversially omitted from England's senior training squad in Lanzarote after a successful B tour in New Zealand last summer. Since then he has played outstanding rugby for his club and the Midlands to lay down the gauntlet to the selectors.

He appears alongside the player whom England may be looking at as the open-side flanker of the future, Steve Ojomoh. Although Ojomoh has played mostly at blind-side flanker for Bath, and did so in the second international of England's B tour in New Zealand, he has also played No. 8 for his club and will do so at Leicester.

He has the comforting presence of John Hall with him, Hall having come close to resuming his senior international career this season. The A XV includes five senior internationals in Tony Underwood, John Buckton, Richard Hill, Andy Mullins and Hall, one of whom will probably lead the side in the absence with the senior squad of Stuart Barnes, who led last year's B side so successfully. That decision will be made after consultations between the A team manager and coach, Graham Smith and Jack Rowell, who is in Lanzarote with England.

The management has deliberately gone for an experienced front row against the French, who consistently provide the keenest opposition at this level, thus Chris Clark, from Swansea University, must wait among the replacements. He will therefore miss the student international between England and France at Cambridge on the same day but, since Darren O'Leary is not required in any senior capacity, he is available on the England Students wing.

Gareth Adams will captain the students, the Bath flanker being another who, like Back, is on the short side. For that reason he spent some time playing hooker during the student development squad weekend at Bisham Abbey and that may be the position which represents the way forward for him. Whether Back would share that view is open to question.

England's squad returns home today from Lanzarote, leaving behind their tackle bags for the use of the Welsh squad which arrives this afternoon. Nigel Davies, the Llanelli centre, has been forced to withdraw from their squad with a muscle strain picked up in the defeat against Bridgend last Saturday.

England's opening championship match will be refereed by Jim Fleming, who has retained his ranking on the Scottish international panel.

**ENGLAND**

ENGLAND A (v France Espoirs, January 15): A Buzza (Wasps); T Underwood (Leicester), D Hopley (Cambridge University), J Buckton (Saracens), H Thornaycroft (Northampton); P Challinor (Harlequins), R Hill (Bath), M Hynes (Orrell), K Dunn (Wasps), A Mullins (Harlequins), J Hall (Bath), M Johnson (Leicester), A Blackmore (Bristol), N Back (Leicester), S Ojomoh (Bath). Replacements: P Grayson (Waterloo), N Beal (Northampton), M Dawson (Northampton), C Clark (Swansea), R Cockerill (Leicester), D Ryan (Wasps).

ENGLAND STUDENTS (v French students, January 15): T Stimpson (Durham U); J Sleightholme (Chester College), D Edwards (Loughborough U), P Bingham (Loughborough U), D O'Leary (West London Institute); G Moffatt (Durham U), K Bracken (Bristol U); R Fuller (Univ of Northumbria), M Regan (Bristol U), D Rusby (Univ of Teesside), C Tarbuck (West London Institute), A Diprose (Loughborough U), S Shaw (Univ of West of England), G Adams (Bath Univ, capt), E Peters (Cambridge U). Replacements: A Kerr (Birmingham U), R Kitchin (Exeter U), S Brown (Cheltenham and Gloucester College), C Johnson (Loughborough U), A Meadows (Newcastle U), R Jenkins (Cambridge U).

### YACHTING

# Commercial Union unites to overcome problems

BY BARRY PICKTHALL

THE crew of Commercial Union swept into Hobart early yesterday to take second place in the British Steel Challenge race and cast aside the problems experienced during the first stage that led to a crew mutiny and sacking of their original skipper, Will Sutherland.

Reaching up the Derwent River with a badly torn mainsail, the only visible scar of racing 8,500 miles across the Southern Ocean, Peter Coop, the watchleader, said. "We have been able to prove that our skills and ability as a crew can be on the winning side."

Richard Merriweather, who took over from Sutherland as skipper shortly before the fleet left Rio in November, was just as ecstatic. "I inherited a great crew and just let them get on with it," he said.

For Eric Gustavson, a plastic surgeon, the harshness of the Southern Ocean was the most testing part of the voyage. "The cold and damp has been so extreme that had the QE2 turned up with berths at £10,000 each, all 14 ofus might have been tempted to jump ship" he said.

Finishing almost 20 hours behind Nuclear Electric, Merriweather added: "We were disappointed not to have won,because we thought for a long time that we could, but we were beaten fair and square." Like Nuclear Electric, Merriweather's yacht suffered none of the rigging failures that have beset the rest of the fleet. "Both crews took a cautious approach and that has paid off," Chittenden said after enjoying his first hot bath for 49 days.

He was in a reflective mood and had nothing but praise for Chay Blyth and David Thomas as the designer of the ten identical yachts. "The boats are absolutely brilliant going to windward in strong winds," he said.

While other crews tensioned their rigging at Rio, Chittenden slackened the shrouds on Nuclear Electric. "My father always told me to take two turns off the bottlescrews during the winter months to take account of the cold weather," he said.

What did surprise him was the competitiveness shown by his amateur crew. The most frightening aspect, he said, was the ice. "We could not pick up the growlers on radar, and at night we went frighteningly close to some chunks of ice."

SECOND LEG POSITIONS: Finishers: 1, Nuclear Electric (J Chittenden), 48 days 23hr 26min; 2, Commercial Union (R Merriweather), 49:08:20. Other positions (at 15:00 GMT yesterday, with miles to Hobart): 3, Holbrau Lager (P Goss), 45; 4, Coopers & Lybrand (V Cherry), 144; 5, Group 4 Securitas (M Golding), 218; 6, Pride of Teesside (I MacGillivray), 228; 7, Heath Insured (A Donovan), 294; 8, Interspray (P Jeffes) 409; 9, Rhone-Poulenc (P Phillips) 883. Retired: British Steel I (R Tudor), dismasted and heading for Wellington.

☐ Race information supplied by BT.

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### SPORTS POLITICS

# Rates battle is won in Bromley

BY JOHN GOODBODY

A SUCCESSFUL challenge on rating valuation by Bromley Sports Council, which has secured reductions averaging 40 per cent in seven test cases, was welcomed yesterday by Nigel Hook, senior technical officer of the Central Council of Physical Recreation (CCPR).

"This is a significant step and many other organisations should also begin negotiations with their local authorities," Hook said. "In any case, voluntary sports clubs should not be valued as commercial business premises. We believe they should be taken off the valuation list because they encourage the development of sport in the community."

Obtaining rate relief has been a constant headache for club treasurers in England and Wales. The government underwrites 75 per cent of the cost, if local authorities bear the rest. Many have not done so and the government has declined to compel local authorities to make rate relief mandatory.

Bromley Sports Council obtained reductions of thousands of pounds for Beckenham RFC, Knoll Tennis Club, the Old Wilsonians Association, Orpington Sports Club, Shirley Wanderers RFC, Slips CC and Westcombe Park RFC.

It successfully argued that the assessments, based on the 1988 rental values, were much higher than ministerial statements had indicated they ought to be. Clubs in the area will now be able to claim repayments for the last three years.

The CCPR and the Rugby Football Union are together supporting a test case for a club in Bristol to challenge its assessment with the Land Tribunal.

### COUPON BOOM

THERE are no Scottish matches on the coupon this week because coupons had to be printed before the draw for the Scottish Cup third round was known. Consequently, punters will have to explore unfamiliar territory as the shortfall has been made up by 21 non-League games, some of them from minor divisions.

Six of these fixtures look reasonable draw bets with perhaps the one coupon match in the Diadora League premier division, Hendon v Carshalton Athletic, offering the best treble chance value. Hendon, who have already drawn five times at home, are strongly fancied to make it six against Carshalton, who are challenging for promotion.

Rossendale v Caernarfon, Worksop v Workington and King's Lynn v Bedworth are other treble chance recommendations.

The shock of going out of the FA Cup to Hartlepool United is expected to bring Crystal Palace's winning league sequence to an end. Everton, their opponents, can draw at Selhurst Park for the second time in eight days.

Saturday January 9 unless stated

PREMIER LEAGUE
1 Arsenal v Sheff Utd
1 Blackburn v Wimbledon
1 Chelsea v Man City
X C Palace v Everton
1 Ipswich v Oldham
X Leeds v Southton
1 Man Utd v Tottenham
2 Middlesbro v QPR
Not on coupons: Coventry v Nottingham Forest; Liverpool v Aston Villa; Sheffield Wednesday v Norwich (Sunday)

FIRST DIVISION
1 Birmingham v Luton
2 Brantford v Leicester
2 Bristol C v Newcastle
1 Charlton v Tranmere
1 Grimsby v Bristol R
2 Notts Co v Millwall
1 Oxford v Swindon
X Potsboro v Barnsley
1 Sunderland v Camb'ge U
2 Watford v Wolves
Not on coupons: Derby v West Ham (Sunday); Portsmouth v Southend

SECOND DIVISION
1 Bourn'mth v Blackpool
1 Brighton v Stoke
1 Leyton O v Hartlepool
2 Mansfield v Chester
1 Plymouth v Hudd'field
X Port Vale v Burnley
2 Preston v Hull
1 Rotherham v Reading
1 Stockport v Bradford C
1 Swansea v Fulham
1 West Brom v Bolton
X Wigan v Bristol

THIRD DIVISION
1 Bury v Walsall
2 Carlisle v Cardiff
X Crewe v Chesterfield
1 Darlington v Halifax
2 Hereford v York
X Scarboro v Shrewsbury
1 Wrexham v Torquay
Not on coupons: Colchester v Doncaster (Friday); Gillingham v Rochdale; Northampton v Barnet

HFS LOANS LEAGUE
PREMIER DIVISION
1 Gainsboro v Droylsden
1 Whitley Bay v Chorley

FIRST DIVISION
2 Allreton v Lancaster
2 Congleton v Harrogate
1 Gt Harwood v Farsley
1 Knowsley v Shepshed
X Rossendale v Caernarfon
X Worksop v Workington

BEAZER HOMES LGE
PREMIER DIVISION
X Camb'ge C v Crawley
2 Hednesf'd v Chelmsf'd
1 Weymouth v Moor Green

MIDLAND DIVISION
1 Dudley v RC Warwick
1 Grantham v Barr
X King's Lynn v Bedworth
1 Redditch v Tamworth

DIADORA LEAGUE
PREMIER DIVISION
X Hendon v Carshalton

FIRST DIVISION
1 Boreham Wood v Barking
2 Chalfont v Molesey
2 Lewes v Tooting
2 Uxbridge v Hitchin
X Whyteleafe v Aveley

SCOTTISH CUP
THIRD ROUND
Not on coupons: Aberdeen v Hamilton; Airdrie v Clydebank; Arbroath v Morton; Clyde v Celtic; Cove v E Stirling; Dundee v Dumbarton (Sunday); Dundee United v Meadowbank; Dunfermline v Ayr; Falkirk v Berwick; Hearts v Huntly or Queen of the South; Hibernian v St Mirren; Kilmarnock v Raith; Motherwell v Rangers; Partick v Cowdenbeath; St Johnstone v Forfar; Stirling v East Fife

SCOTTISH SECOND
Not on coupons: Stenhousemuir v Alloa; Stranraer v Montrose

TREBLE CHANCE (home teams): Crystal Palace, Leeds, Peterborough, Port Vale, Wigan, Crewe, Scarborough, Rossendale, Worksop, King's Lynn, Hendon, Whyteleafe.
BEST DRAWS: Crystal Palace, Port Vale, Crewe, King's Lynn, Hendon
AWAYS: Newcastle, Wolves, Hull, Cardiff, York.
HOMES: Arsenal, Blackburn, Manchester United, Birmingham, Sunderland, Swansea, Darlington, Wrexham, Great Harwood, Weymouth, Dudley, Boreham Wood.
FIXED ODDS: Homes: Blackburn, Sunderland, Wrexham, Dudley, Boreham Wood. Aways: Newcastle, Hull, Cardiff. Draws: Crystal Palace, Port Vale, Hendon.

☐ Vince Wright

### ICE HOCKEY

# Cardiff toppled by Humberside

BY NORMAN DE MESQUITA

THE premier division of the Heineken League threw up a number of surprises at the weekend, with the biggest coming at Cardiff, where the Devils, having gone 17 league and cup games without defeat, lost to Humberside Seahawks, for whom Frank Killen was brilliant in goal, and Dan Dorion outstanding up front.

**Murrayfield Racers** stay in second place after their win over **Fife Flyers** and Tony Hand continues to lead the premier division individual scoring table, three points ahead of Chris Palmer, his colleague. Hand has passed 100 points for the ninth time.

**Norwich and Peterborough Pirates**, without the injured Cam Plante, were beaten by the Devils, and **Bracknell Bees** are now in ninth place, a point ahead of **Billingham Bombers**.

The Bombers created a surprise of their own, beating **Whitley Warriors** 9-3 for their first win in six games. **Nottingham Panthers**, whose new coach, Kevin Murphy, was due to take over yesterday, had a home win over the Bombers on Saturday, but in spite of leading 4-0 after 10 minutes, found **Durham Wasps** too good for them on Sunday, and eventually went down 14-8.

The lights went out shortly before the end of the second period, and, metaphorically, never came back on for the Panthers, who conceded eight goals in ten minutes in the final period.

**Basingstoke Beavers**, whose coach, Peter Woods, was in Denmark with the Great Britain Under-21 side, had the weekend off, and this allowed **Sheffield Steelers**, with away wins over **Slough Jets** and **Romford Raiders**, to narrow the gap at the top of the first division to 11 points.

RESULTS: Heineken League: Premier division: Fife Flyers 4, Durham Wasps 3; Norwich and Peterborough Pirates 5, Cardiff Devils 7; Nottingham Panthers 11, Billingham Bombers 6; Bracknell Bees 8, Norwich and Peterborough Pirates 4; Cardiff Devils 4, Humberside Seahawks 7; Durham Wasps 14, Nottingham Panthers 8; Murrayfield Racers 5, Fife Flyers 3; Whitley warriors 3, Billingham Bombers 9. First division: Slough Jets 0, Sheffield Steelers 9; Lee Valley Lions 10, Telford Tigers 10; Romford Raiders 5, Sheffield Steelers 9.

### CYCLING

# Helmet saves Baker from bad injury

DAVID Baker, whose crash in the closing stages of Sunday's British Open Cyclo-Cross championship at Wolverhampton probably cost him the title, believes that he was saved from serious injury by his hard shell helmet (Peter Bryan writes).

"I went down with such force on the icy and muddy surface, hitting my head, that I am glad I was properly protected," he said at his home near Sheffield yesterday, after his discharge from hospital.

Baker, who was defending the title, took the lead in the 14-mile event 200 yards from the finish. But the fall cost him 39 seconds and he had to settle for the silver medal behind Steve Douce.

Baker felt he had the strength to win, but riders who were being lapped prevented him from taking the correct line as he turned on to the asphalt surface of the Aldersley track. Both he and Douce had crashed earlier on the last lap when Baker injured his ribs.

Baker plans only one outing this week, "to see whether any other bits and pieces were hurt in the crash". He will not compete in the world professional championship in Italy next month, because he is preparing for the European mountain-bike season.

### FIXTURES

FOOTBALL
7.30 unless stated

FA Cup
Third round
Manchester Utd v Bury (8.0)

Barclays League
Second division
Blackpool v Swansea

Autoglass Trophy
First round
Bournemouth v Reading (7.45)
Plymouth v Exeter (7.45)
West Bromwich v Walsall
POSTPONED: Bury v Rochdale.

Scottish League
Premier division
Rangers v Dundee Utd

Scottish League
First division
Arbroath v Berwick

COCA-COLA CUP: Fifth round: Postponed: Ipswich v Sheffield Wednesday.

DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Windsor and Eton v Basingstoke. Second division: Worthing v Metropolitan Police. League Cup: Aylesbury v Enfield.

HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Challenge Cup: Chorley v Whitley Bay; Gainsborough Trinity v Accrington Stanley.

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Atherstone v Burton; Bashley v Hastings; Cheltenham v Worcester; Dover v Cambridge City (7.45); Gloucester v Dorchester; Trowbridge v Moor Green.

BARCLAYS COMMERCIAL SERVICES CUP: Third round: Nuneaton Borough v Tamworth; Salisbury v Witney.

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Manchester City v Bolton (6.45); Sheffield United v Barnsley. Second division: Everton v Port Vale (7.0); Oldham v West Bromwich (7.0).

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: Luton v Bristol City (2.0); Watford v Chelsea.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: G & W Engineering Cup: Hucknall v Ossett Albion; Yorks Amateurs v Pontefract Col.

RUGBY LEAGUE

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: First division: Wigan v Warrington. Second division: Huddersfield v Featherstone (7.30); Third division: Barrow v Workington (7.30).

OTHER SPORT

DARTS: Embassy world professional championship (Frimley Green).

### SKI REPORTS

| | Depth (cm) L | U | Conditions Piste | Runs to resort | Weather | Temp °C | Last snow fall |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SWITZERLAND | | | | | | | |
| Gstaad | 20 | 140 | fair | worn | sunny | -6 | 12/12 |
| (Best skiing on glacier. All 69 lifts open) | | | | | | | |
| Laax-Flims | 15 | 90 | fair | thin | sunny | -6 | 13/12 |
| (Thin and patchy on lower. All lifts and pistes open) | | | | | | | |
| Lenzerheide | 20 | 60 | hardpacked | open | sunny | -12 | 12/12 |
| (Hardpacked conditions. All lifts and pistes open) | | | | | | | |
| Nendaz | 20 | 250 | hardpacked | open | sunny | -6 | 12/12 |
| (Patchy snow on lower runs and links) | | | | | | | |
| Saas Fee | 40 | 185 | hardpacked | open | sunny | -4 | 8/12 |
| (Hardpacked snow at all levels. Best on glacier) | | | | | | | |
| FRANCE | | | | | | | |
| Courchevel | 75 | 163 | fair | artificial | sunny | -10 | 12/12 |
| (Best skiing above 2,000m. Fresh snow needed) | | | | | | | |
| Flaine | 30 | 100 | compact | open | sunny | -9 | 10/12 |
| (Cross-country available. 28 lifts and 38 pistes open) | | | | | | | |
| Val d'Isère | 105 | 190 | icy | open | sunny | -10 | 12/12 |
| (Best on south facing slopes. 46 lifts and 64 pistes open) | | | | | | | |
| Valloire | 20 | 130 | hardpacked | icy | sunny | -8 | 12/12 |
| (Conditions deteriorating) | | | | | | | |
| AUSTRIA | | | | | | | |
| Alpbach | 20 | 70 | fair | difficult | sunny | -5 | 13/12 |
| (Best above middle station. Icy and thin on lower) | | | | | | | |
| Bad Gastein | 30 | 115 | fair | worn | overcast | -8 | 13/12 |
| (Artificial snow lower. Best above middle station) | | | | | | | |
| Igls | 10 | 40 | compact | icy | sunny | -6 | 12/12 |
| (Lower runs not recommended. Hardpacked on upper) | | | | | | | |
| Niederau | 25 | 80 | fair | worn | sunny | -10 | 13/12 |
| (Hardpacked conditions. All lifts and pistes open) | | | | | | | |
| Saalbach | 25 | 70 | fair | patchy | fine | -10 | 12/12 |
| (Skiing difficult on lower. All lifts and pistes open) | | | | | | | |
| SPAIN | | | | | | | |
| Sol y Nieve | 20 | 50 | good | open | cloudy | 0 | 27/12 |
| (Good at all levels. 13/19 lifts and 10/34 pistes open) | | | | | | | |
| ITALY | | | | | | | |
| C d'Ampezzo | 20 | 110 | fair | icy | fine | -5 | 9/12 |
| (Fresh snow needed. Dry snow on upper runs) | | | | | | | |
| Courmayeur | 80 | 215 | hardpacked | icy | fine | -5 | 28/12 |
| (Best skiing on glacier. Cover holding out well) | | | | | | | |
| Livigno | 50 | 200 | fair | slick | sunny | -2 | 12/12 |
| (Best above 2,000m. Fresh snow needed. 26/27 lifts open) | | | | | | | |

Information supplied by Ski Hotline

FOOTBALL

# Arsenal's problems increase as FA accuses Graham

BY DENNIS SIGNY

ARSENAL'S disciplinary problems increased yesterday, when the Football Association announced that George Graham, the club's manager, had been charged with misconduct.

Graham, who has 14 days to appeal, is accused of making improper remarks to the referee, Alf Buksh, after Arsenal had been beaten 1-0 by Tottenham Hotspur at White Hart Lane on December 13.

David Bloomfield, the FA's spokesman, said the charge did not relate to Graham's remarks at the post-match press conference when he said: "I will definitely be writing to the FA and asking for this fellow not to take any more of our games this season. I am not allowed to criticise refs in public but you can write about them. I have done it before."

Graham, who has a reputation as a strong disciplinarian with his players, was fined £250 by the FA in May 1988 for insulting match officials.

Three Arsenal players were cautioned during the Tottenham match, including Tony Adams, the captain, who subsequently served a two-match suspension over Christmas. Buksh cautioned John Jensen and Steve Bould, as well as Adams and the Tottenham players, Gordon Durie and Neil Ruddock. He also went over to Graham and Stewart Houston, his assistant, during the match.

Both Graham and Houston were spoken to by the police during Arsenal's 3-1 win over Yeovil in the FA Cup third-round last Saturday.

Ian Wright, Arsenal's England international forward, faces an FA commission on Thursday — the day after the Coca-Cola Cup-tie at Scarborough — on a misconduct charge relating to the match against Tottenham.

Wright is alleged to have struck David Howells, the Tottenham midfield player, in an off-the-ball incident. The referee did not see the incident but he lectured the pair. The FA acted after television cameras had shown the incident.

Arsenal, who had gone seven Premier League games without a win before the success at Yeovil, are ninth in the table, ten points behind the leaders, Norwich City. They have had 27 cautions in league matches this season, and Graham stressed to his players last week that higher standards were required.

Wright faces the possibility of a ban by the FA commission, which has unlimited powers, but the case is not expected to threaten his chances of a place in England's World Cup qualifier against San Marino at Wembley on February 17. Players under domestic suspension are still eligible for competitive internationals. Furthermore, it is likely that any ban would have been served by the time Graham Taylor, the England manager, names his squad.

At the FA hearing, Wright and the commission members will study film of the incident and he will be asked for his observations. If found guilty, any suspension would probably start in a fortnight's time and immediately consign Wright to the Highbury stands for the FA Cup fourth-round match against Charlton Athletic or Leeds United.

Wright was fined £1,500 by the FA a year ago following an incident at Oldham Athletic, where he was said to have gestured to the crowd. There were claims of similar incidents against Wimbledon and Chelsea this season, but no action was taken. On Saturday, cameras caught Wright making a sign at Yeovil supporters, who had taunted him.

## Uefa reports big profits

THE 1992 European championship finals in Sweden made about £2.43 million profit from a record £24.15 million income, Uefa, European football's governing body, revealed yesterday.

Total revenue more than doubled from £11.05 million, although the 1988 tournament in Germany attracted twice as many spectators. Most of the income this year came from television and advertising, which yielded £18.1 million, three times as much as in Germany.

Denmark, the champions, and Germany, the losing finalists, each received £2.9 million.

☐ Fiorentina, the Italian first division club, dismissed Luigi Radice, their coach, after the club's 1-0 home defeat by Atalanta on Sunday.

## Windfall brings cheer to Bury

IRRESPECTIVE of whether Bury win, lose or draw tonight's delayed FA Cup tie against Manchester United at Old Trafford, the men who run the struggling third division club will be find cause for delight (Ian Ross writes).

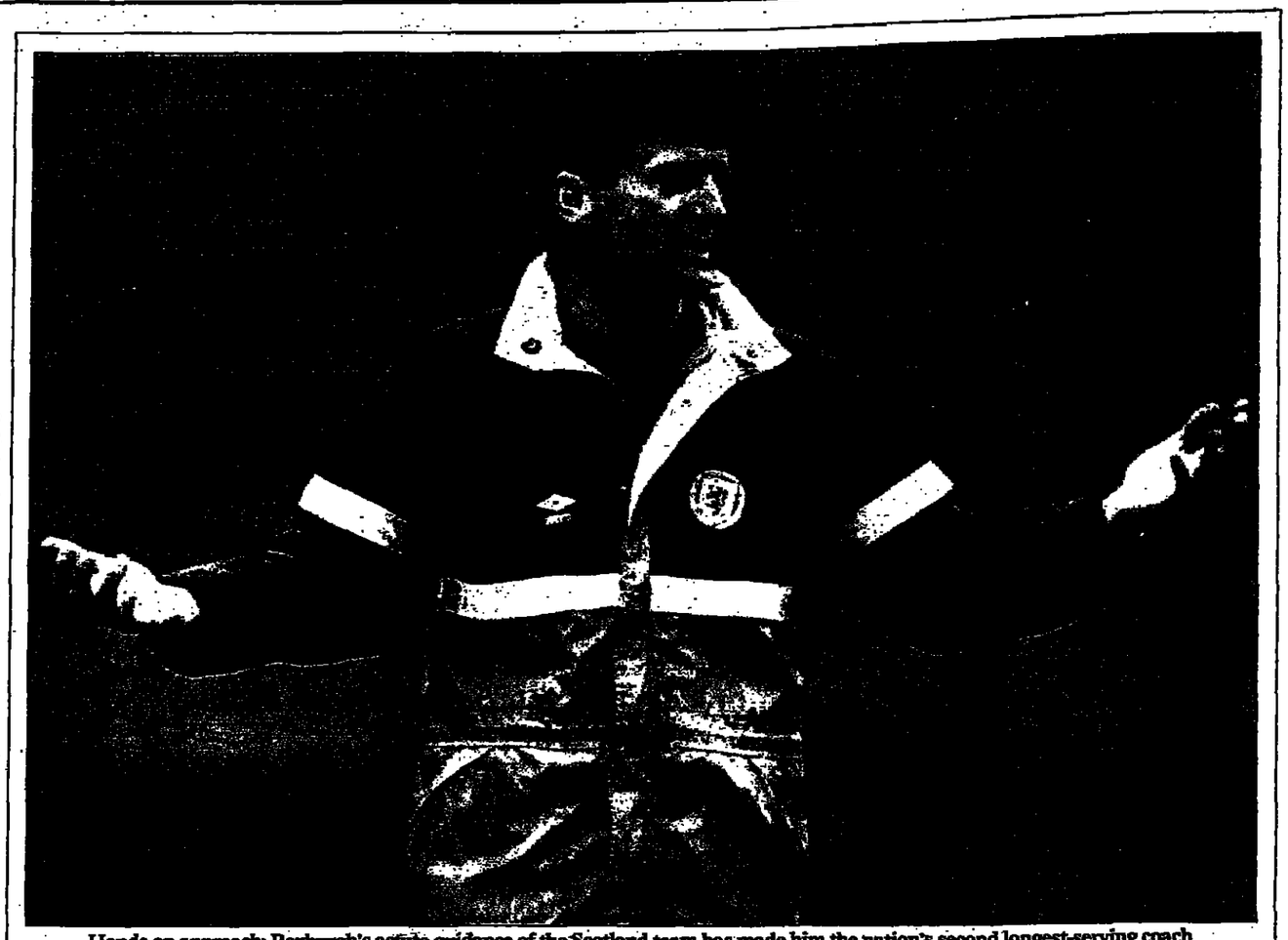
With the fixture likely to attract a crowd of around 30,000, Bury stand to reap a £100,000 windfall from their first appearance in the competition's third round since 1986.

"Since we defeated Wigan Athletic on Saturday, the demand for tickets has been remarkable," a club spokesman said. "Over half of our allocation of 5,000 tickets went in less than an hour." Bury are expected to use their share of tonight's gate receipts to help pay for the costly refurbishment of their Gigg Lane ground.

Terry Robinson, the chairman, said: "To say that this extra money is very welcome would be something of an understatement. It will help complete payments on our new £1.2-million stand and will financially transform our entire season."

Mike Walsh, the Bury manager, however, said: "Yes, of course money is important to a club like ours but it is also vital that we do ourselves justice out on the pitch. Obviously this is a dream game for my lads and I am confident they will not be overawed by what will be a special occasion."

Alex Ferguson, the Manchester United manager, said: "We have a very important Premier League game against Tottenham Hotspur coming up at the weekend so I shall not be risking players who are not fully fit."



Hands-on approach: Roxburgh's astute guidance of the Scotland team has made him the nation's second longest-serving coach

# Scots ride high with consummate coach

**David Miller** considers the impact of Andy Roxburgh on a small footballing nation with a large presence

Graham Taylor may have the acknowledged coaching reputation among Britain's international football team managers, but Andy Roxburgh is the coach who does the business. Roxburgh, who regards himself foremost as a professional teacher of football, left yesterday for Baltimore and a course involving 3,000 American coaches.

The Scotland coach has worked for Fifa and Uefa in 30 countries, a job that can be tougher, he says with justification, than handling any team. Just try running a course for two weeks for the Dutch Football Association in which the "pupils" include Haan, Rep and Rensenbrink, household names from the World Cup final of 1974. "That can frighten you," Roxburgh says.

The absurdity of his job as Scotland's coach struck him forcibly in his first season, when sitting at Hampden watching "his" side play England. From six yards, Charlie Nicholas, so symptomatic of the wayward nature of Scotland's more gifted forwards, somehow managed to hit the bar in a goalless draw. On the bench, Roxburgh ruefully thought to himself: Charlie hits the bar, I'm responsible.

The moment crystalised his approach to the job as national coach. It has not changed since. "If that's how it is, I said to myself at the time, then I might as well enjoy it," Roxburgh recollects.

That, he says, has been his mentality throughout the six-and-a-half years since he took charge against Bulgaria, succeeding Alex Ferguson. Ferguson, his former spearhead partner at Falkirk, had an unhappy passage at the World Cup finals in Mexico in 1986 after excluding Scotland's best central defender in 40 years, Alan Hansen.

Having led Scotland to the finals in Italy in 1990, no more spectacularly than Ferguson, and then qualified for the European championship finals for the first time, Roxburgh is now Scotland's second longest-serving manager. He has been in charge for 55 matches, five less than Jock Stein but having left behind Willie Ormond's 39 in the early 1970s.

The Scottish FA's appointment of Roxburgh was unusual, not to say intelligent. He was not, on the face of it, from conventional club management, but a "junior" national coach.

For 20 years, he had been a professional with lesser clubs such as Partick Thistle and Falkirk, winning the second division championship with the latter; then assistant manager at Clydebank for two years before joining the SFA as manager of the under-19 and under-21 teams in 1976.

"That may have been to my advantage, a plus not a deficit," Roxburgh says. "The jobs are totally different. As international manager, you have no power over players like a club manager. You can't fine them, or threaten them with not renewing a contract. You are simply seeking a gel, a relationship between the players."

Maybe Taylor could do with a spell of coaching from his Scottish counterpart.

Although Roxburgh came to the position as Scotland's coach without an array of managerial credentials or certificates of league success, he considers that too many international managers lean on former reputations.

"I try to live on what I do," he says. "Having no reputation, I have to produce at every training session, at every tactical team talk. That is how I gain the players' respect and that is, for me, part of the challenge."

His problem, perhaps even worse than Taylor's, is the inconsistency that is forced upon his selection. He has experienced up to 50 withdrawals in a season from the squads that have been announced, and that takes no account of players necessarily omitted before the announcement. The matches against Holland and Germany in the European finals in Sweden last year were the first time in six-and-a-half years that Roxburgh was able to field the same team in successive matches.

In the qualifying competition for the 1994 World Cup finals, Scotland tentatively lie third behind Switzerland and Italy, having lost in Switzerland 3-1, in which Roxburgh considered that the Swiss had lucky breaks — the source of all victories. Yet he rightly sees group one as being wide open, these three and Portugal competing for the two places that are available for the tournament in the United States.

Next month Scotland are at home to Malta, who gave Italy a fright in a 2-1 defeat two weeks ago. The minnows, Malta and Estonia, can damage anybody, Roxburgh forecasts, and the key to the group may lie in not dropping points to them. Scotland have yet to play either of these teams.

Roxburgh considers that the European club experience of Gough and McCoist, of Rangers, has benefited the national team, and he is confident that in the near future, up-and-coming younger players, such as Jess, Booth and Wright, from Aberdeen, Gemill, from Nottingham Forest, and O'Donnell, from Motherwell, will consistently see one of the smallest of football countries qualifying for the important finals.

FOOTBALL

SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Second division: Postponed: Forfar v Montrose.

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: Postponed: Millwall v West Ham

BOWLS

BLACKPOOL: Bass Crown v Flat challenge: Quarter-finals: S Frith (Crown) bt D J Bryant (Flat), 34-29; B Duncan (Crown) bt W Richards (Flat), 42-27; A Allcock (Flat) bt J Foulds (Crown), 40-27; D Holt (Crown) bt W Wood (Flat), 37-28. Semi-finals: Duncan bt Frith, 36-32; Holt bt Allcock, 37-30. Final: Holt bt Duncan, 42-19.

CYCLING

COLOGNE: Six-day race: Final positions: 1, U Freuler (Switz) and R Stumpf (Ger), 167pts. 2, J Gorgen (Ger) and J Veggerby (Den), 153; 3, R Gunther (Ger) and R Bincoletto (It), 135. One lap behind: 4, B Risi and A Betschart (Switz), 61; 5, A Kappes (Ger) and E de Wilde (Bel), 52. Four laps: 6, A Klaus (Ger) and W Stutz (Switz), 76.

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BASKETBALL

CARLSBERG LEAGUE: Men: First division: Leicester City Riders 100 (Treavent 42, Waldron 16, Bigg 12), Cheshire Jets 78 (Thomas 35, Nuttall 14); Sunderland Saints 91 (Nottage 24, Douglas 24, A Hopper 20), Oldham Celtics 82 (Fite 41, Henderson 29, Seipe 8). Second division: Doncaster Panthers 85, Coventry Flyers 69.

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION (NBA): San Antonio Spurs 114, Phoenix Suns 113 (OT); Portland Trail Blazers 103, Houston Rockets 101 (OT); Boston Celtics 120, Los Angeles Clippers 112; Milwaukee Bucks 109, Los Angeles Lakers 101.

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic division

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| New York Knicks | 18 | 10 | .643 | — |
| New Jersey Nets | 16 | 13 | .552 | 2½ |
| Orlando Magic | 13 | 12 | .520 | 3½ |
| Boston Celtics | 13 | 17 | .433 | 6 |
| Philadelphia 76ers | 8 | 18 | .308 | 9 |
| Washington Bullets | 9 | 20 | .310 | 9½ |
| Miami Heat | 8 | 19 | .296 | 9½ |

Central division

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Chicago Bulls | 22 | 7 | .759 | — |
| Cleveland Cavaliers | 16 | 12 | .600 | 4½ |
| Detroit Pistons | 15 | 12 | .556 | 6 |
| Charlotte Hornets | 15 | 13 | .536 | 6½ |
| Milwaukee Bucks | 13 | 15 | .464 | 8½ |
| Indiana Pacers | 13 | 16 | .448 | 9 |
| Atlanta Hawks | 12 | 16 | .429 | 9½ |

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest division

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Utah Jazz | 19 | 6 | .704 | — |
| Houston Rockets | 14 | 13 | .519 | 5 |
| San Antonio Spurs | 15 | 12 | .556 | 4 |
| Denver Nuggets | 7 | 20 | .259 | 12 |
| Minnesota Twolves | 6 | 19 | .240 | 12 |
| Dallas Mavericks | 2 | 23 | .080 | 15 |

Pacific division

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Phoenix Suns | 21 | 5 | .808 | — |
| Seattle SuperSonics | 19 | 8 | .704 | 2½ |
| Portland Trail Blazers | 18 | 9 | .667 | 3½ |
| Golden State Warriors | 16 | 13 | .552 | 6½ |
| Los Angeles Clippers | 16 | 13 | .552 | 6½ |
| Los Angeles Lakers | 15 | 13 | .536 | 7 |
| Sacramento Kings | 11 | 16 | .407 | 10½ |

DARTS

LAKESIDE COUNTRY CLUB, Frimley Green: Embassy world professional championship: First round: R Bameveld (Holl) bt G Miller (Engl), 3-2; M Phillips (Wales) bt D Kelly (US), 3-1; J Lowe (Eng) bt C Johns (Wales), 3-1; K Spiolek (Eng) bt K Kenny (Eng), 3-1; P Taylor (Eng) bt J J O'Shea (Ire), 3-0.

GOLF

PEBBLE BEACH: Invitational tournament: Leading final scores (all US): 208: M Brooks, 68, 68, 72. 213: B May, 71, 72, 70; D Waldorf, 68, 69, 77. 214: L Roberts, 70, 71, 73. 215: J Miller, 70, 76, 69; R Maltbie, 71, 70, 74. 218: C Rarick, 70, 74, 72; J Inkster, 70, 74, 72; B Fleisher, 68, 77, 71; T Lehman, 68, 74, 74. M Wiebe, 69, 71, 76. 217: R Fehr, 69, 70, 78. 218: D Tinder, 73, 72, 73; M Teichetter, 74, 72, 72; D Pruitt, 75, 70, 73. 219: T Dill, 74, 73, 72; M Mellon, 71, 74, 74; M Pfeil, 75, 70, 74; W Wood, 74, 71, 74; R Gilder, 74, 71, 74.

HOCKEY

ENGLISH WOMEN'S INDOOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP: East (at Cambridge): Semi-finals: Ipswich 6, Welwyn 0; Chelmsford 3, Canterbury 1. Final: Chelmsford 4, Ipswich 0. Midlands (at Nottingham): 1, Leicester, 10pts; 2, Pelswick, 8; 3, Sherwood, 5. North: (At Washington): 1, Highdown; 2, Doncaster.

ICE HOCKEY

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE (NHL): Buffalo Sabres 6, St Louis Blues 5 (OT); Minnesota North Stars 6, Hartford Whalers 6 (OT); Edmonton Oilers 2, Philadelphia Flyers 2 (OT); Chicago Blackhawks 4, Winnipeg Jets 1.

WALES CONFERENCE

Patrick division

| | W | L | D | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pittsburgh Penguins | 27 | 9 | 4 | 58 |
| Washington Capitals | 21 | 16 | 4 | 46 |
| New York Rangers | 19 | 17 | 4 | 42 |
| New Jersey Devils | 18 | 17 | 2 | 38 |
| New York Islanders | 17 | 18 | 4 | 38 |
| Philadelphia Flyers | 13 | 19 | 6 | 32 |

Adams division

| | W | L | D | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Quebec Nordiques | 22 | 13 | 6 | 50 |
| Montreal Canadiens | 22 | 14 | 5 | 49 |
| Boston Bruins | 22 | 14 | 2 | 46 |
| Buffalo Sabres | 18 | 15 | 6 | 42 |
| Hartford Whalers | 11 | 24 | 4 | 26 |
| Ottawa Senators | 3 | 35 | 3 | 9 |

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

Norris division

| | W | L | D | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Chicago Blackhawks | 23 | 14 | 5 | 51 |
| Detroit Red Wings | 22 | 17 | 3 | 47 |
| Minnesota North Stars | 19 | 14 | 8 | 44 |
| Toronto Maple Leafs | 15 | 16 | 7 | 37 |
| St Louis Blues | 13 | 20 | 6 | 32 |
| Tampa Bay Lightning | 14 | 24 | 2 | 30 |

Smythe division

| | W | L | D | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Calgary Flames | 25 | 10 | 4 | 54 |
| Vancouver Canucks | 23 | 10 | 4 | 50 |
| Los Angeles Kings | 20 | 14 | 5 | 45 |
| Winnipeg Jets | 15 | 20 | 4 | 34 |
| Edmonton Oilers | 14 | 21 | 6 | 34 |
| San Jose Sharks | 6 | 31 | 2 | 14 |

MOTOR RALLYING

RALLY OF THE VALES (South Wales): 1, D Astle (Sunbeam Rapier), 316 penalties; 2, J Morgan (Mini Cooper), 449; 3, N Porter (Mini), 537.

RUGBY UNION

SCHOOLS INTERNATIONAL: Scotland 3, Wales 5.

SCHOOLS MATCH: Haddington 23, Musselburgh 10.

SNOOKER

EUROPEAN LEAGUE: Swindon: S Davis (Eng) bt P Ebdon (Eng), 6-2; J White (Eng) bt J Parrott (Eng), 5-3.



Forget: took France to Hopman Cup victory

SKIING

LES MENUIRES, France: British university championships: Team Giant Slalom: Men: 1, Edinburgh University, 190.39sec; 2, Southampton University, 197.26; 3, Aberdeen University, 197.69. Fastest individual times: 1, M Folkman (Edinburgh University), 59.62sec; 2, M McAdam (Edinburgh University), 60.63.

KAVGOLOVO, Russia: Nordic World Cup: 30km cross country: Men: 1, B Daehlie (Nor), 1hr 24min 36.4sec; 2, M Botvinov (Russ), 1:25:29.6; 3, T Mogren (Swe), 1:25:55.6. World Cup standings: 1, V Ulvang (Nor), 275pts; 2, Daehlie, 272; 3, V Smirnov (Russ), 240. Women: 1, L Yegorova (Russ), 1hr 39min 48.4sec; 2, V Vaitsa (Russ), 1:40:26.3; 3, T Dybendahl (Nor), 1:40:34.3. World Cup standings: equal 1, Vaitsa and Yegorova, 220pts; 3, L Lazutina (Russ), 180.

SQUASH

LAMBS CLUB, London: British Open Championship: Boys: Under-19: Third round: J Ronnie (Cheshire) bt B Poutinen (Fin), 9-0, 9-1, 9-1; M Blowers (Yorkshire) bt M Medher (Egypt), 10-8, 10-8, 9-10, 9-4; C Tomlinson (Kent) bt S Castelyn (Bel), 9-6, 6-9, 9-2, 9-0; P Hargrave (Derbyshire) bt K Lour (Mal), 9-1, 9-0, 9-0; A Toes (Yorkshire) bt O El Borolossy (Egypt), 9-3, 9-6, 9-5; S Cowie (Norfolk) bt N Dugan (Berkshire), 8-9, 9-4, 9-6, 9-4; C Clare (Avon) bt C Montagnier (Fr), 9-2, 9-5, 9-1; A Barakat (Egypt) bt D Jenson (Aus), 9-6, 1-9, 9-5, 9-5. Quarter-finals: Ronnie bt Blowers, 9-3, 10-8, 9-5; Hargrave bt Tomlinson, 9-10, 9-6, 9-5, 9-5; Toes bt Cowie, 9-5, 9-2, 4-9, 9-4; Clare bt Barakat, 9-3, 9-5, 9-7. Under-16: Quarter-finals: A Baraca (Egypt) bt M Woolhead (Middlesex), 9-3, 9-2, 9-0; M Cowie (Norfolk) bt D Blanchett (II), 9-5, 9-1, 9-6; M El Salam (Egypt) bt P Trenfield (Yorkshire), 9-7, 8-10, 9-5, 9-5; M Cowie (Norfolk) bt D Blanchett (II), 9-5, 9-1, 9-6.

TENNIS

PERTH: Hopman Cup: Quarter-finals: Spain bt Switzerland, 3-0 (A Sánchez Vicario bt M Maleeva-Fragnière, 1-6, 6-0, 6-3; E Sánchez bt C Mezzadri, 4-6, 6-3, 7-6; Sánchez and Sánchez Vicario bt Mezzadri and Maleeva-Fragnière, 6-0); France bt United States, 2-1 (N Tauziat lost to M J Fernandez, 6-1, 6-7, 6-4; G Forget bt M Washington, 6-3, 6-4; Forget and Tauziat bt Washington and Fernandez, 6-4, 6-2).

ADELAIDE: Australian men's hard-court championships: First round: M Naewie (Ger) bt S Baldas (SA), 6-4, 6-1; J Stark (US) bt T Woodbridge (Aus), 6-2, 6-2; T Martin (US) bt B Shelton (US), 6-3, 6-7, 6-4; D Rostagno (US) bt M Larsson (Swe), 6-3, 6-4; J Morgan (Aus) bt B Karbacher (Ger), 6-4, 6-2; C Polline (Fr) bt S Stolle (Aus), 6-3, 6-2; N Kulti (Swe) bt M Woodforde (Aus), 6-4, 7-6.

BRISBANE: Australian women's hard-court championship: First round: K Po (US) bt K Godridge (Aus), 6-4, 6-3; I Gorrochategui (Arg) bt N Miyagi (Japan), 6-4, 6-0; LI Fang (China) bt J Kruger (SA), 7-6, 1-6, 6-2; S Rodier (Holl) bt F Perfetti (It), 7-5, 6-3; M Jaggard (Aus) bt J Byrne (Aus), 6-4, 7-5; A Gavaldon (Mex) bt B Bowes (US), 6-2, 6-1; N Prat (Aus) bt D Graham (US), 6-4, 6-4; G Pizzichini (It) bt E Martiokova (Russ), 6-1, 6-2; M Diaks (Can) bt A Temesvari (Hun), 6-7, 7-5, 6-3; S Testud (Fr) bt A Dechaume (Fr), 6-4, 6-4; C Rubin (US) bt T Price (SA), 6-2, 6-2; L Gildeas (It) bt M Grossi (It), 6-7, 6-2, 6-2; N Jagerman (Holl) bt C Porwik (Ger), 6-1, 7-5; M Oremans (Holl) bt D Monami (Bel), 6-1, 6-1; E De Lose (US) bt A-M Foldenyi (Hun), 6-4, 4-6, 6-3; P Labat (Arg) bt K Nowak (Pol), 6-2, 6-3; N Van Lottum (Fr) bt R Hiraki (Japan), 6-4, 7-6; C Wood (GB) bt R Simpson (Can), 6-3, 7-5; J Limmer (Aus) bt R Fairbank-Nideffer (SA), 7-6, 1-6, 6-4; R Stubbs (Aus) bt F Bonsignori (It), 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.

RUGBY LEAGUE

# Wigan leading the retreat

BY CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

WIGAN are unlikely to back the plan to revert to a two-division league next season. Indeed, a number of the 35 professional clubs are changing their minds about a fourth shake-up in eight years, in the light of the number of postponements caused by the recent cold snap.

Wigan, although generally supportive of a change back from three divisions, feel the proposal, as it stands, has been rushed and is poorly conceived.

A time for further discussion is likely to be recommended to tomorrow's special meeting of clubs in Leeds by the Wigan board. Jack Robinson, the Wigan chairman, favours a structured season of home and away league fixtures on alternate weekends, the Challenge Cup retained in its present form, the Regal Trophy made a midweek competition and the county cups moved to pre-season.

Better distribution of fixtures is the key, according to Robinson. "At the moment, sides can go weeks without playing at home, or at all. Then they are hit by a bunch of games, the bad weather arrives and there is a log-jam. Spectators and clubs would benefit from a straightforward home and away pattern," he said.

The Rugby League Council proposal makes no allowance for teams in a first division expanded from 14 to 16 clubs having to play four more games, apart to exempt them from the preliminary rounds of major cup competitions.

It has taken the recent cold weather to unfreeze minds to the possibility of a potentially unmanageable situation arising.

David Howes, the Rugby Football League's spokesman, confirmed yesterday that their proposal was losing support. "With matches now having to be rearranged in midweek because of postponements, some clubs have indicated that they are rethinking their positions," he said.

Wigan embark upon a backlog of five Stones Bitter championship matches tonight, at home to struggling Warrington, whose Welsh half back, Kevin Ellis, will start his first full match for almost three months. Dean Bell and Denis Betts, who both missed Wigan's Regal Trophy semi-final win over Hull on Saturday, will have late fitness checks.

SWIMMING

# Britons shun Chinese world cup

BY CRAIG LORD

BRITAIN has been criticised by Fina, swimming's world governing body, for keeping double standards over the world cup circuit, "paying lip-service support" for the event but failing to send any competitors to the first two rounds, of seven, in China.

The criticism was rejected by Paul Bush, director for England, and British team selector, who said the chance to compete in China had been offered to all the nation's elite swimmers, but none had wanted to travel so far afield at this critical point in their winter training. "You can't force them to go," he added.

Bush also pointed to Fina's failure to secure a proper Far Eastern tour for swimmers as had been intended, with events in Singapore, Hong Kong and Australia. Bush has written to the Chinese swimming federation explaining Britain's absence in a "difficult post-Olympic year". However, he hopes China will compete at the Sheffield round of the world cup next month.

British swimmers will now not accumulate off-continent points, which have to form a quarter of any total score. A swimmer's best four scores, from the seven events, five of which will be held in Europe next month, make up the total score. Non-European nations have criticised the preponderance of events in Europe and Europe's failure to properly support off-continent competitions.

Shanghai hosts the first of the events today and tommorrow, while Peking welcomes swimmers for the second round at the weekend. Of only 85 swimmers entered, a third are from the host nation, while there are about 30 Europeans competing, 12 from Germany.

☐ Klaus Henier, president of the German swimming federation (DSV) said two women swimmers — not believed to be national team members — had tested positive for banned substances at the national club championships last month.

## Witt to seek reinstatement

Katarina Witt, the former double Olympic figure skating champion, plans to make a comeback at the 1994 Lillehammer Winter Olympics in Norway.

German officials have made an application to the International Skating Union (ISU) for Witt to be reinstated as an amateur. "As far as I see, there is nothing to stop it being accepted," the ISU general secretary, Baert Haesler, said.

### Powell launch

**Athletics:** Mike Powell, America's world long jump record holder, will be the leading guest in Britain's first big meeting of the year, the Pearl international at Glasgow's Kelvin Hall on January 30. The meeting features an international between Britain and Russia.

### Toes on top

**Squash:** Justin Rennie, the top seed, will meet Adam Toes, the No. 5, in the under-19 final of the British Open junior championships at Lambs Club, London today. Toes defeated Chris Clare, an England team member, 9-7, 9-7, 9-5 and Rennie overcame Paul Hargrave 9-4, 9-2, 9-4 in the semi-finals yesterday.

### Holt unstoppable

**Bowls:** David Holt, who has won championships on flat and crown greens, showed his versatility yesterday when he won the Bass North West crown-versus-flat challenge in Blackpool. Holt, having beaten Willie Wood and Tony Allcock on the way, overcame Brian Duncan in the final.

### Perry picked

**Table tennis:** Alex Perry, 17, has been included in the senior England squad for the European league match against Holland at St Austell on January 12.

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## BBC1

**6.00 Business Breakfast** with Paul Burden, Sara Coburn and Heather Payton (34834)
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**10.30 Good Morning ... with Anne and Nick.** Weekday magazine series presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. Today's edition includes a romantic story, slimming exercises and a topical phone-in (s). With **News** (Ceefax) and weather at **11.00** and **12.00**
**12.15 Pebble Mill.** Judi Spiers is joined by *Bullseye* host Jim Bowen (3750037) **12.55 Regional News** and weather
**1.00 One O'Clock News** with Philip Hayton. (Ceefax) Weather (78105)
**1.30 Neighbours.** (Ceefax) (s) **1.50 First Letter First.** The first of a new word game series presented by Don Maclean (s)
**2.15 Film: The Importance of Being Earnest** (1952) starring Michael Redgrave, Michael Denison and Edith Evans. Impeccable version of Oscar Wilde's comedy about two wealthy bachelors who pretend to be "Ernest" in order to court two young women (Dorothy Tutin and Joan Greenwood) but come unstuck when they both fall for the imaginary male. Directed by Anthony Asquith (298414)
**3.50 Pinocchio.** Animated adventures (r) (9413582) **4.15 Jackanory.** Rik Mayall with part two of *The Fwog Pwince the Truth!* (s) (9950037) **4.25 The New Yogi Bear Show.** Cartoon (r) (9941389) **4.35 The Worst Day of My Life.** Children's drama. (Ceefax) (3399853)
**5.00 Newsround** (6509747) **5.10 Grange Hill.** Episode one of a new 20-part children's drama set in a comprehensive school. (Ceefax) (s) (8244747)
**5.35 Neighbours** (r). (Ceefax) (s) (146853). Northern Ireland: Inside Ulster
**6.00 Six O'Clock News** with Peter Sissons and Anna Ford. (Ceefax) Weather (969)
**6.30 Regional News Magazines** (921). Northern Ireland: Neighbours

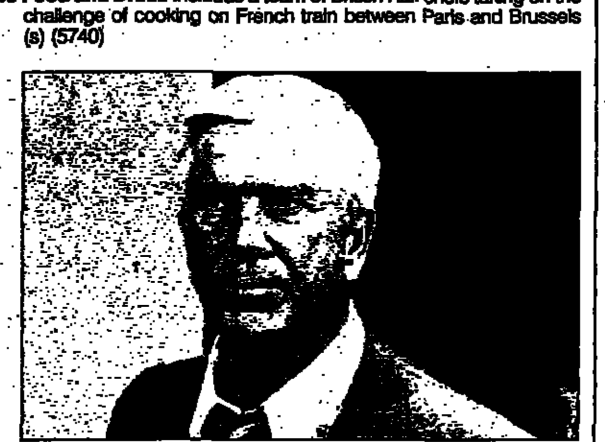


New horizons: Jill Dando gets a taste of Florida (7.00pm)

**7.00 Holiday.** A new holiday magazine presented each week by Jill Dando in a different destination, beginning with Florida. Eamonn Holmes sees how Marbella is trying to lure back the holidaymakers and Gloria Hunniford samples a winter break in a Landmark Trust property in Northumberland. (Ceefax) (s) (4143)
**7.30 EastEnders.** (Ceefax) (s) (105)
**8.00 Citizen Smith.** Robert Lindsay stars as the Tooting urban guerrilla, in this episode regaling the customers in the local with his latest revolutionary compositions for guitar and mouth organ when he is asked by a beautiful woman to sing at her party (r). (Ceefax) (9993)
**8.30 A Question of Sport** presented by David Coleman. Bill Beaumont and Ian Botham are joined by Graham Gooch, Jo Durie, Steve Davis and Paul Merson. (Ceefax) (9698)
**9.00 Nine O'Clock News** with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Regional News and weather (9056)
**9.30 Spender.** Jimmy Nail returns as the undercover cop, witnessing an attack on a woman in a Newcastle park and getting surprise news from his former wife. (839211)
**10.25 Film 93 Special.** Barry Norman talks to Kevin Costner (s) (357327). Northern Ireland: Study Ireland 10.45 The Barn
**11.05 Film: Gunfight at the OK Corral** (1957) starring Burt Lancaster and Kirk Douglas. Classic western about the events leading to the showdown between Doc Holliday, Wyatt Earp and the Clanton gang. Directed by John Sturges. (Ceefax) (646389). Northern Ireland: 11.15 Film 93 11.55-1.55 Film: Gunfight at the OK Corral
**1.05am Weather** (2204964). Ends at *1.10*
**2.15 BBC Select: Executive Business Club.** Scrambled (125235). Ends at *3.15*

## BBC2

**8.00 Breakfast News** (4691495)
**8.15 Travel Show UK Mini Guides.** Roger Wilkes explores Torbay (r) (7732105)
**8.20 Ours To Keep.** A real-life drama about a Dartmoor widow who finds herself forced to put the family farmhouse up for auction but then discovers things about the home that bring about an unusual outcome to the sale (r) (7186582)
**9.00 Film: Johnny Tiger** (1966) starring Robert Taylor, Chad Everett and Geraldine Brooks. The story of a teacher who meets a half-breed Indian at a Reservation and coaches him for a university scholarship. Directed by Paul Wendkos (68724940)
**10.35 Film: Les Misérables** (1933, b/w). The second of a three-part version of Victor Hugo's classic starring Harry Baur and Charles Vane, directed by Raymond Bernard. In French with English subtitles (6230582)
**12.00 The Little Railway That Could.** The story of the 110 mile railway between Skagway, Alaska, and White Horse, Yukon, constructed in 1898-1900 (r) (65582)
**12.30 Today's Gourmet.** Jacques Pepin prepares a starter of leeks and tomato, a main course of smoked pork with mustard honey-glaze and a dessert of buttermilk strawberry shortcakes (r) (90766)
**1.00 The Good Old Way.** Alison MacMorland and Pete Webb sing old songs of Scotland and Ireland at the Co-Op Folk Club, Nottingham (r) (60920211)
**1.20 Charlie Chalk** (r) (64065747)
**1.35 The Wild Side of Town.** Urban nature series (r) (53934637)
**2.00 News** and weather (94625582) followed by **With Saintly Patience and Diligence of an Ant.** The skills of 17th-century Dutch artists known as the Fine Painters (r) (54646582) **2.30 See Hear!** Magazine series for the hearing impaired (r) (s) (582)
**3.00 News** and weather (9527124) followed by **World Darts.** Highlights of yesterday's matches in the Embassy world professional championship (s) (8888376)
**4.30 Catchword.** Paul Coia with another round of the word game (s) (178)
**5.00 Behind the Headlines** presented by John Diamond (s) (2921)
**5.30 Germany Means Business.** The first of five programmes on how business is done in Europe's most successful economy (698)
**6.00 Film: Battlestar Galactica** (1979) starring Lorne Greene. Science fiction drama directed by Richard A. Colla (7327)
**8.00 Perpetual Motion.** The story of the FX4 London taxi (r). (Ceefax) (8105)
**8.30 Food and Drink.** *Includes a team of British Rail chefs taking on the* challenge of cooking on French train between Paris and Brussels (s) (5740)



Comic cop on the case: Leslie Nielsen as Drebin (9.00pm)

**9.00 Police Squad.** Comedy spoof by the creators of *Airplane!* and *Naked Gun*, starring Leslie Nielsen (r) (7698)
**9.30 All Our Working Lives.** A documentary about the coal industry made in 1984 when there were 169 working pits. With Carl Davis's music played by the Grimethorpe Colliery band (r). (Ceefax) (77969)
**10.30 Newsnight** presented by Jeremy Paxman (862969)
**11.15 World Darts.** *The last four second round matches in the Embassy* world professional championship (s) (755940)
**12.15am Behind the Headlines** (r) (s) (44457)
**12.25 Weather** (5599631)

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## ITV LONDON

**6.00 GMTV** begins with **News.** Includes the health minister Virginia Bottomley launching the government's donor card campaign (7841211)
**9.25 Runway.** Quiz game show hosted by Richard Madeley (9085037) **9.55 London Today** and weather (2852650)
**10.00 The Time ... The Place ...** Topical discussion (5247871)
**10.35 This Morning.** Magazine series (64313766)
**12.10 Wizadora.** A new early learning series (9088650)
**12.30 Lunchtime News** (Teletext) Weather (5502489) **1.05 London Today** and weather (64080056)
**1.15 Home and Away.** Australian family drama. (Teletext) (527308) **1.45 A Country Practice.** Medical drama (s) (526679)
**2.15 It's a Vet's Life.** Latest developments in animal care (501360)
**2.45 Families.** Drama serial (s) (7162389)
**3.10 ITN News** headlines (9538230) **3.15 London Today** and weather (9537501) **3.20 Blockbusters** (s) (1406691)
**3.50 Rod 'n' Emu** (r) (6846049) **4.00 Toucan Tecs** (s) (5533124) **4.15 Count Duckula** (8727360) **4.40 Oasis.** A new series about the adventures of a group of children on a south London wasteland (s) (Teletext) (6154786) **5.10 Home and Away** (r). (Teletext) (3863969)
**5.40 Early Evening News.** (Teletext) Weather (756389)
**6.00 London Tonight** (95211)
**7.00 Emmerdale.** Soap set in the Yorkshire Dales. (Teletext) (9211)
**7.30 A Day in the Life ...** The first of a seven programme series in which Desmond Wilcox explores some of London's well-known landmarks, beginning with Docklands (s) (501)
**8.00 The Bill: A Dying Breed.** DC Woods has difficulty in identifying a body found in a makeshift grave. (Teletext) (5259)
**8.30 Mr Bean Rides Again.** Three silent stories starring Rowan Atkinson (r) (4766)

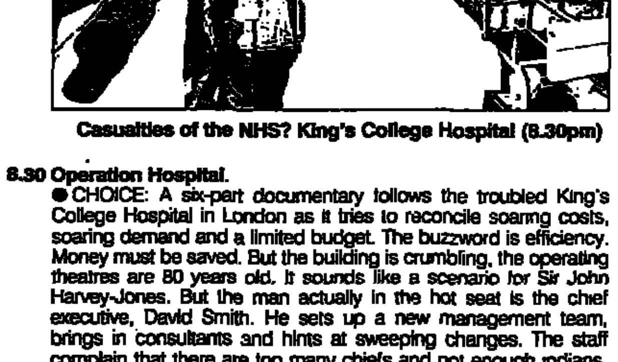


Driven to distraction: Kevin McNally as Baz Levick (9.00pm)

**9.00 Full Stretch.**
● CHOICE: The first important offering from the new Meridian franchise is a comedy-drama about a west London limousine service. The plotlines derive from the troubles of the hard-pressed boss (Kevin McNally), the variously competent team of drivers and the unpredictacle clients. Tonight's ingredients include a guest appearance from David Bowie, a New York-based hairdresser returning to his Midlands roots and the company facing ruin over an insurance claim. These are early days but first impressions are not reassuring. There is little of the promised comedy, the characterisation is thin and none of the stories grabs the attention. *Full Stretch* is the creation of one of the best writing teams in television, Dick Clement and Ian La Frenais. But there are better, sharper lines in any five minutes of *Porridge*. (Teletext) (2018)
**10.00 News at Ten.** (Teletext) Weather (60037) **10.30 London Tonight** and weather (613785)
**10.40 First Tuesday: Prisoner on the Run.**
● CHOICE: This remarkable documentary starts in 1965 when two boys had a fight in a Devon field. One was killed and the other convicted of manslaughter. Astonishingly, after a perfunctory trial lasting a few minutes, he was sentenced to life imprisonment. Now 43, David Ford has been in and out of jail ever since. He complains that he is still having to pay for one stupid, tragic episode when he was a kid. He insists he is not bad nor a danger to anyone. Besides there was serious provocation, which did not get mentioned in court. The film catches up with Ford on the run, the fourth time he has absconded from prison in three years. He has a wife who has stood by him and a young son he has hardly seen. The programme does not pretend that Ford is a saint. But it does suggest that his life has been ruined by a flawed legal system (s) (977230)
**11.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H.** Drama serial (994327)
**12.30am The Little Picture Show.** A new series reviewing the latest video releases (97631)
**1.30 Film: The Day the Earth Caught Fire** (1961, b/w) starring Leo McKern. Science fiction thriller directed by Val Guest (29761)
**3.30 Cinema, Cinema, Cinema.** The best movies of 1982 (r) (46308)
**4.00 The Beat** (r) (s) (81341) **5.00 Riviera.** French drama serial (37780)
**5.30 ITN Morning News** (64693). Ends at **6.00**

## CHANNEL 4

**6.40 Spiff and Hercules** (2854105) **7.00 The Big Breakfast** (91056)
**9.00 You Bet Your Life.** American game show (s) (70414)
**9.30 Film: Maytime** (1937, b/w) starring Jeannette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy. Romantic musical directed by Robert Z. Leonard and William Von Wymetal (22776230)
**11.50 Michelangelo.** Animation by Sheila Graber (2086263)
**12.00 Profiles of Nature.** The animal paintings of Canadian artist Ron Parker (50650)
**12.30 Sesame Street.** Pre-school learning entertainment (20698)
**1.30 Lift Off.** Children's entertainment (84105)
**2.00 Film: The Awful Truth** (1937, b/w) starring Irene Dunn and Cary Grant. *Comedy about a couple's unfounded suspicions of each* other's infidelity that leads to their divorce. Directed by Leo McCarey (677872)
**3.40 Film: The Magic Rolling Board** (1976). A short about the feats possible on a skateboard (7054834)
**3.55 Waterways.** A new six-part journey along Ireland's canals with environmentalist Dick Warner (6757722)
**4.30 Countdown.** Words and numbers game. (Teletext) (s) (414)
**5.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show.** The latest news on some of last year's guests (s) (2090563) **5.50 The Magic Roundabout** (r) (288679)
**6.00 Crystal Maze.** *Game show set in a Medieval dungeon (r) (s)* (93853)
**7.00 Channel 4 News.** (Teletext) Weather (158360) **7.50 Comment** (794360)
**8.00 Decisions, Decisions.** A new six-part series looking at a variety of difficult decisions which people have to take. Lyn and Jill reveal how they reacted when they discovered that a close relative had been sexually abusing their child. (Teletext) (6501)



Casualties of the NHS? King's College Hospital (8.30pm)

**8.30 Operation Hospital.**
● CHOICE: A six-part documentary follows the troubled King's College Hospital in London as it tries to reconcile soaring costs, soaring demand and a limited budget. The buzzword is efficiency. Money must be saved. But the building is crumbling, the operating theatres are 80 years old. It sounds like a scenario for Sir John Harvey-Jones. But the man actually in the hot seat is the chief executive, David Smith. He sets up a new management team, brings in consultants and hints at sweeping changes. The staff complain that there are too many chiefs and not enough indians. Smith is unrepentant. He even blames the doctors for helping to cause the appalling delays in the casualty department. It promises to be a revealing series. On this early evidence it is certainly a frank one, in which no blushes are spared. (Ceefax) (2308)
**9.00 For Love or Money.**
● CHOICE: The art and antiques magazine returns for a third series, determined to maintain its irreverent approach and to bridge the gap between the high and the low. Tonight's items form a typical mix. There is a look at the memorabilia spawned by *The Prisoner* television series, with the revelation that Dinky toy versions of the mini-moke are fetching up to £1,000. Other slots are devoted to picture frames and antique wines, while six leading Bond Street art dealers try to put a price on the Queen's collection of Old Masters. The informed guess is that just a couple of her Mantegnas or Canalettos would pay for the Windsor Castle fire damage several times over. Much of the enjoyment of the show derives from its presenter, Nicholas Ward-Jackson, who is not only enthusiastic but knows what he is talking about (705414)
**9.45 The Clydeside Classic.** Alternative snooker competition featuring Stephen Hendry and Ray Reardon (r) (515501)
**10.00 Film: Wish You Were Here** (1987) starring Emily Lloyd and Tom Bell. A *Film on Four* season begins with this sharp and witty award-winning study of a young girl's sexual awakening. Directed by David Leland (200501)
**11.40 Dream On.** A repeat of the adult comedy series starring Brian Benben as a libidinous New York publisher (240018)
**12.20am Red Hot and Movin'.** An Aids awareness concert featuring rap artists Cookie Crew, Rebel MC, 11:59 and the Ragga Twins (2524877). Ends at **1.15**

## VARIATIONS

### ANGLIA
**As London except:** 3.20-3.50 The Young Doctors (1406691) *5.10-5.40 Blockbusters* (3863969) 6.00 Home and Away (543018) 6.25-7.00 Anglia News (418969) 7.30-8.00 Food Guide (501) 12.35 McCloud (551438) 2.25 The Little Picture Show (4515438) 3.20 ITV Chart Show (5925070) 4.15 Crowded House (27151780) 4.30 Riviera (75438) 5.00-5.30 Jobfinder (37780)

### BORDER
**As London except:** 3.20-3.50 Sons and Daughters (1406691) 6.00 Lookaround (227) 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters (389) 7.30-8.00 Animal Country (501) 12.35 McCloud (551438) 2.25 The Little Picture Show (4515964) 3.20 ITV Chart Show (5925070) 4.15 Crowded House (27151780) 4.30 Riviera (75438) 5.00-5.30 Jobfinder (37780)

### CENTRAL
**As London except:** 1.15 A Country Practice (527308) 1.45-2.15 Home and Away (526679) 3.20-3.50 GP (1406691) 5.10-5.40 Blockbusters (3863969) 6.00 Home and Away (227) 6.25-7.00 Central News (389) 7.30-8.00 Heart of the Country (501) 11.40 Film: Jeremiah Johnson (432308) 1.40 Kojak (8989457) 2.35 The Big E (4863273) 3.35 Sport AM (2202815) 4.35-5.30 Jobfinder (9602983)

### GRANADA
**As London except:** 1.15 A Country Practice (527308) 1.45-2.15 Home And Away (526679) 2.45-3.10 Gardeners Diary (7162389) 3.20-3.50 Sons and Daughters (1406691) *5.10-5.40 Blockbusters* (3863969) 6.00 Home and Away (227) 6.30-7.00 Granada Tonight (389) 7.30-8.00 House Style (501) 12.35 McCloud (551438) 2.25 The Little Picture Show (4515964) 3.20 Night Beat (5925070) 4.15 Crowded House (27151780) 4.30 Riviera (75438) 5.00-5.30 Jobfinder (37780)

### HTV WEST
**As London except:** 1.45-2.15 Blockbusters (526679) 3.20-3.50 The Sullivans (1046891) *6.00 HTV News* (227) *6.30-7.00 Good Health* (389) 7.30-8.00 Channel Traders (501) 12.35 McCloud (551438) 2.25 The Little Picture Show (4515964) 3.20 ITV Chart Show (5925070) 4.15 Crowded House (27151780) 4.30 Riviera (75438) 5.00-5.30 Jobfinder (37780)

### HTV WALES
**As HTV West except:** 6.00 Wales at Six 6.30-7.00 4x4 7.30-8.00 On The Road With Elinor

### MERIDIAN
**As London except:** 3.20-3.50 The Young Doctors (1406691) 6.00 Meridian Tonight (227) 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters (389) 7.30-8.00 Ambulance (501) 11.40-12.30 Island Son (994327) 5.00-5.30 Freescreen (37780)

### TYNE TEES
**As London except:** 3.20-3.50 The Young Doctors (1406691) 6.00 Tyne Tees Today (227) 6.30-7.00 Blockbuster (389) 7.30-8.00 Love At First Sight (501) 11.40 Tour of Duty (350834) 12.35 Comedy Tonight (1930544) 1.05 The Little Picture Show (9722544) 2.05 60 Minutes (3317457) 3.00 Countdown (47419) 4.00 McGilloway's Way (88269886) 4.25-5.30 Jobfinder (5798273)

### ULSTER
**As London except:** 1.45-2.15 Fair City (526679) 3.20-3.50 Blockbusters (1406691) *6.00-7.00 UTV Live at Six* (95211) 7.30-8.00 Survival (501) 11.40 Crime Story (350834) 12.35 McCloud (551438) 2.25 The Little Picture Show (4515964) 3.20 Night Beat (5925070) 4.15 Crowded House (27151780) 4.30 Riviera (75438) 5.00-5.30 Jobfinder (37780)

### WESTCOUNTRY
**As London except:** 1.45-2.15 Blockbusters (526679) 3.20-3.50 A Country Practice (1406691) 6.00-7.00 West Country Live (95211) 7.30-8.00 Members Only (501) 12.35 McCloud (551438) *2.25 The Little Picture Show* (4515964) 3.20 ITV Chart Show (5925070) 4.15 Crowded House (27151780) 4.30 Riviera (75438) 5.00-5.30 Jobfinder

### S4C
**Starts:** 7.00 The Big Breakfast (91056) 9.00 You Bet Your Life (70414) 9.30 Film: Maytime (22776230) 11.50 Michelangelo (2086263) 12.00 Profiles of Nature (50650) 12.30 Slot Meithrin (85834) 1.00 Tony Jacklin's Pro-Celebrity Golf Challenge (80389) 2.00 Crawshaw Paints Oils (3037) 2.30 The Late Late Show (89143) 3.35 Buster Keaton (8832489) 3.55 Poetry in Motion (1787150) 4.25 Slot 23 (3079650) 5.00 Famous People, Famous Places (4389) 5.30 A Sense of History (766) 6.00 News (929414) 6.10 Heno (521872) 7.00 Pobol Y Cwm (7853) 7.30 Mae O Dwn (143) 8.00 Stell (6501) 8.30 News (691969) 8.55 Comment (162114) 9.00 For Love or Money (705414) 9.45 The Clydeside Classic. Snooker tournament (515501) 10.00 The Golden Girls (68679) 10.30 Drop the Dead Donkey (77327) 11.00 Hale and Pace (7211) 11.30 Ready Steady Go (53308) 12.00 Playing For Your Country (59902) 1.00 Close

## SATELLITE

### SKY ONE
**6.00am** The DJ Kat Show (45406582) **8.40** Lamb Chops Play-a-Long (6011018) **9.10** Cartoons (1127766) **9.30** The Pyramid Game (30308) **10.00** Strike It Rich (99124) **10.30** The Bold and the Beautiful (18698) **11.00** The Young and the Restless (16389) **12.00** Falcon Crest (53259) **1.00pm** E Street (10105) **1.30** Another World (7654871) **2.15** Santa Barbara (156834) **2.45** Maude (155105) **3.15** The New Leave It To Beaver (152018) **3.45** The DJ Kat Show (6996786) **5.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (3056) **6.00** Rescue (1358) **6.30** E Street (4650) **7.00** Alf (4785) **7.30** Family Ties (1114) **8.00** Seinfeld (2655) **8.30** Anything But Love (2940) **9.00** Murphy Brown (50698) **9.30** Gabriel's Fire (58227) **10.30** Studs (19327) **11.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (20582) **12.00** Pages from Skytext

### SKY NEWS
Twenty-four hour news service

### SKY MOVIES+
**6.00am Showcase** (4973230)
**10.00** *An American Summer* (1990): A boy stays with an aunt in California (38940)
**12.00 Tom Brown's Schooldays** (1940): A public schoolboy endures bullying (33376)
**2.00pm How to Beat the High Cost of Living** (1980): Comedy in which housewives turn to crime (79211)
**4.00 The Invasion of Johnson County** (1976): A town-dweller finds himself in the middle of the Wild West (8360)
**6.00 An American Summer** (as 10am) (43223501)
**7.40 Entertainment Tonight** (468308)
**8.00 Betrayal of Silence** (1989): A girl is murdered at a home for teenagers (61292)
**10.00 Wanted: Dead or Alive** (1986): A former CIA agent starts a vendetta (200476)
**11.50 Pray for Death** (1985): A retired ninja hitman is forced back into business (862785)
**1.25am Higher Education** (1987): A teenager goes to art college (1227963)
**2.50 Garwood: Prisoner of War** (1990): True story of an American private arrested as a collaborator (482157)
**4.30 The Rift** (1990): Divers discover something sinister (27167). Ends at **6.00**

### SKY MOVIES GOLD
**6.15pm 42nd Street** (1933, b/w): Classic putting-on-a-show musical (98451583)
**8.00 A Private Function** (1985): Comedy about wartime rationing (45292)
**10.00 Nightmare in Badham County** (1976): Two girls are kidnapped as slaves (10018). Ends at **12.00**

### THE MOVIE CHANNEL
**7.00am Hillbillys in a Haunted House** (1967): A pair of ghostbusters find spies instead (33056)
**9.00 All My Sons** (1948): A family discovers what their father did in the war (92211)
**11.00 The Belle of the Nineties** (1934, b/w): Mae West falls in love (6743501)
**12.20pm The Big Night** (1951): A rebellious boy looks for revenge (8315495)
**1.40 Return to Paradise** (1953): Gary Cooper in an island romance (64422360)
**3.15 Hillbillys in a Haunted House** (as 7am) (91487834)
**5.00 The Adventures of Nellie Bly** (1981): A journalist investigates corruption (14263)
**7.00 Columbo Goes to College** (1991): A professor is murdered (24308)
**9.00 Crazy People** (1990): Dudley Moore plays a truth-telling adman (68105)
**11.00 Texasville** (1990): An oil tycoon finds everything is going wrong (35400747)
**1.10am Blue Collar** (1978): Car workers fight for their rights (360896)
**3.05 Blind Vengeance** (1990): A father seeks revenge on a racist gang (362728)
**5.00 Desire Under the Elms** (1958): Sophia Loren as a woman in love with her stepson (49167). Ends at **6.00**

### SKY SPORTS
**6.30am** Stretch (33582) **7.00** Figure-Skating (75056) **9.00** Stretch (86696) **9.30** Trucks 'n' Tractor Power (13230) **10.00** Sports Special (24834) **10.30** AMA Supercross (25766) **11.30** Stretch (73563) **12.00** Team Pool (70373) **1.00pm** Figure-Skating (45327) **3.00** FA Cup Football: QPR v Swindon (12360) **5.00** Boots and All (9704) **6.00** Soccer News (255501) **6.03** Watersports (14717) **7.00** Muscle Night (21698) **8.00** Women's US Open Golf (82178) **9.00** The Footballers' Football Show (32655) **11.00** Motor World (97143) **11.30** Sports Special (20018) **12.00-1.00am** The Year of the Bike (17964)

### EUROSPORT
**8.00am** Step Aerobics (81143) **8.30** Volleyball (60056) **10.30** Step Aerobics (60650) **11.00** Billiards (89495) **12.00** Eurogoals (98921) **1.00pm** Ice Hockey (30495) **3.00** Sailing (79747) **4.00** Ski Jumping (61582) **5.00** Eurogoals (5292) **6.00** Formula One (24785) **8.00** Eurofun (2969) **8.30** News (1476) **9.00** Kick Boxing (62150) **10.00** Boxing (53495) **11.30** News (48414)

### SCREENSPORT
**7.00am** Volleyball (56143) **8.00** Aerobics (57872) **9.00** Football Europa (77940) **9.30** Skiing (58211) **11.00** Paris-Dakar Rally (70476) **11.30** Macau Grand Prix (8429143) **12.45pm** Skiing (6230501) **2.00** Football Europa (5679) **2.30** Top Match Football (45747) **3.30** Paris-Dakar Rally (2698) **4.00** Surfing (1105) **4.30** Volleyball (41899) **5.30** Skiing (94501) **6.30** NFL American Bowl (51969) **8.30** Paris-Dakar Rally (7650) **9.00** Pro Box (32637) **11.00** Paris-Dakar Rally (95785) **11.30-1.30am** Snooker (67896)

### LIFESTYLE
**10.00am** The Spiral Zone (40872) **10.30** Cover Story (68292) **11.00** Gloss (98872) **11.30** Joan Rivers (6186495) **12.15pm** Sally Jessy Raphael (1429969) **1.10** Lunchbox (77677292) **1.40** Sell-a-Vision (42596650) **2.10** The Ante Room (6042263) **3.00** The New Newlywed Game (2582) **3.30** Burns And Allen (4752969) **4.10** Dick Van Dyke (1105230) **4.30** Jackpot (5785) **5.00** Concentration (4327) **5.30** Sell-a-Vision (6037) **6.00** Sally Jessy Raphael (92747) **7.00** Sell-a-Vision (203834) **10.00** Music Videos (1720143) **2.30-3.00am** Top Five (13780)

### UK GOLD
**6.00am** Rainbow (57204872) **6.15** Chorlton and the Wheelies (57209327) **6.30** The All New Popeye Show (9383785) **7.00** Beverly Hills Teens (2746563) **7.30** Neighbours (2765698) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (5301414) **8.30** EastEnders (5300785) **9.00** The Bill (5391037) **9.30** Penmarric (8636679) **10.30** Casualty (5380495) **11.30** Terry and June (9011655) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (5304501) **12.30pm** Neighbours (7066940) **1.00** EastEnders (2745834) **1.30** The Bill (7065211) **2.00** Porridge (1397308) **2.30** Bread (7175747) **3.00** Dallas.. Jenna's Return (5411691) **4.00** Beverly Hills Teens (7199327) **4.30** Degrassi Junior High (7188211) **5.00** Neighbours (1371369) **5.30** Dr Who: The Gunfighters (7179563) **6.00** Penmarric (7081259) **7.00** Porridge (1391124) **7.30** Terry and June (7189940) **8.00** EastEnders (1300872) **8.30** Bread (1396679) **9.00** Casualty (1182230) **10.00** The Bill (5305230) **10.30** Alexei Sayle's Stuff (5381650) **11.00** The Goodies (1011835) **11.30** Film: Adventure in Baltimore (1949, b/w) starring Robert Young and Shirley Temple (3105650) **1.00-2.00am** Video Bites: new pop releases (6018998)

## RADIO 3

**6.55am Weather**
**7.00 On Air,** with Andrew Lyle. Including Prokofiev (Overture on Hebrew Themes: Borodin Trio); Medtner (Fairy Tales, Op 14 Nos 1 and 2: Hamish Milne, piano); Zelenka (Hypochondrie: Camerata Bern); Ravel (Piano Concerto in G: Arturo Benedetti Michelangeli; Philharmonia under Ettore Gracis)
**9.00 Composer of the Week:** Richard Strauss. Felicity Lott talks about singing Strauss: including Three Ophelia Songs (Elisabeth Schwarzkopf, soprano, Geoffrey Parsons, piano); Four Last Songs (Felicity Lott, soprano); Arabella, Act 3 — except (Peter Seiffert, tenor, Kiri Te Kanawa, soprano)
**10.05 A Tough Job for the Postman:** including Geoffrey Bush (I had a little nut-tree: Ian Partridge, tenor, the composer, piano); Vaughan Williams (The Turtle Dove: Choir of King's College, Cambridge under David Willcocks, with Lindsay Heather, baritone); Rameau (La Poule: Kenneth Gilbert, harpsichord); Einar Englund (Symphony No 2, The Blackbird: Helsinki PO under Pertti Pekkanen); Fauré/Messager (Souvenirs de Bayreuth); Ravel (Suite, Ma mère l'oye: Geneviève Joy and Jacqueline Robin-Bonneau); Sibelius (The Swan of Tuonela: Gothenburg SO under Neeme Järvi); Jacob van Eyck (Variations on Philis Schoon Herderinne: Michala Petri, recorder), John Casken (Piper's Linn: Richard Butler, Northumbrian pipes); Anthony Cirone (4/4 for four: Wisconsin Youth SO; Percussion Ensemble under Vicki Jenks); Stravinsky (The Princesses' Round, The Firebird: LSO under Claudio Abbado); Lord Berners (The Triumph of Neptune — excerpts: London Philharmonic under Beecham)
**12.00 The Art of the Violin:** Elizabeth Wallfish and the Raglan Baroque Players under Nicholas Kraemer perform Locatelli (L'Arte del Violino, No 2 in F and No 3 in C minor) (r)
**1.00pm News**
**1.05 Two Firsts and a Wedding:** Sir Peter Maxwell Davies conducts Jan Albert Ban (Vanitas); Haydn (Overture, L'isola Disabitata); Maxwell Davies (Strathclyde Concerto No 5; Strathclyde Concerto No 6; An Orkney Wedding, with Sunrise)
**2.40 James Bowman:** The countertenor talks about his work within the Baroque repertoire (r)
**3.40 Beethoven Cello Music:** Alexander Baillie, cello, and Martin Roscoe, piano, play Mozart's Die Zauberflöte, Variations on Bei Männern welche Liebe fühlen, WoO46; Variations on Ein Mädchen oder Weibchen, Op 66; Sonata in A, Op 69 (r)
**4.30 Bunk and Bill:** Bill Russell talks about trumpeter Bunk Johnson's friendship with pianist Don Ewell
**5.00 In Tune:** Anthony Burton's guest is pianist Robert Levin
**7.30 Pebble Mill,** live from Studio One, Birmingham. David Owen Norris, piano, plays Walton (Valse, Façade); Debussy (Etudes, Book 1); Haydn (Fantasia in C, HXVII 4). **8.05** Peter Pulzer asks whether racial violence is politically or ideologically motivated. **8.25** Brahms (Three Intermezzi, Op 117); Messiaen (Quatre Etudes de rhythme); Joni Mitchell, arr Norris (Conversation; Tin Angel; Big Yellow Taxi)
**9.20 Seneca's Letters:** The Pleasures of Old Age, read by Paul Scofield
**9.45 Alexander Goehr:** Eve Dreams in Paradise (BBC Philharmonic under Downes, with Amaral Gunson, mezzo, and Philip Sheffield, tenor)
**10.15 Britannia Triumphans:** Parley of Instruments under Peter Holman and Mark Caudle; New London Consort under Philip Pickett perform the consort music of Johann Hermann Schein (r)
**10.45 Night Waves:** Roy Porter asks whether historians have *invented the patriotic myth*
**11.30 Prokofiev — The Ballets:** Scythian Suite, Op 20 (Chicago SO under Claudio Abbado); The Prodigal Son (SNO under Neeme Järvi)
**12.30-12.35am News**

## RADIO 4

(s) Stereo on FM
**5.55am** Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing, *incl* **6.03** Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day **6.30** Today, incl **6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **6.45** Business News **6.55, 7.55** Sports News **7.45** Thought for the Day **8.43** The Lost Continent, by Bill Bryson (7/10) (s) **8.58** Weather
**9.00 News**
**9.05 Call Kate Adie:** 071-580 4444. *Lines open from 8am*
**10.00-10.30 News; John Cole in the Lakes** (FM only): The poetry and politics of the Lake District (s)
**10.00 Daily Service** (LW only)
**10.15 Paradise Regained** (LW only), by John Milton (3/9)
**10.30 Woman's Hour** exposes tattoos. Incl **11.00 News**
**11.30 Medicine Now,** with Geoff Watts
**12.00 You and Yours,** with Mike Thomson
**12.25pm The Friend in the Corner:** 1967. Local Radio went on the air, and the Home, Light and Third closed down, to be born again as Radios 1, 2, 3 and 4 (r) **12.55** Weather
**1.00 The World at One,** with James Naughtie
**1.40 The Archers** (r) (s) **1.55** Shipping Forecast
**2.00 News; Thirty-Minute Theatre:** The Veil of Happiness, by the French statesman Georges Clemenceau. In China, a blind man (Keith Drinkel) is forced to face the realities of the world around him (s)
**2.30 Richard Baker Compares Notes** with the Australian *soprano Dame Joan* Hammond (s)
**3.00 News; Tuesday Lives:** Joanna Buchan introduces Barbados-born Daphne, who schools volunteers in the art of settling neighbours' disputes; and a grandmother who discovered a similar talent when riots on the estate where she lives hit the national headlines (s)
**4.00 News**
**4.15 Kaleidoscope:** Elaine Feinstein talks about her biography of D.H. Lawrence; and John and Alec Dankworth *make music in the studio* (s)
**4.45 Short Story:** Her Turn, by D.H. Lawrence. Read by Peter Meakin
**5.00 PM 5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
**6.00 Six O'Clock News**
**6.30 Knowing Me, Knowing You:** Last in the series of chat with Alan Partridge (s)
**7.00 News 7.05 The Archers** (s)
**7.20 The Brothers:** Anthony Howard traces the turbulent history of the trade union movement since the second world war (1/3) (s)
**8.00 Science Now** (r)
**8.30 The Miles Kington Interview**
● CHOICE: In this cod conversation, Simon Callow's Oscar Wilde sounds very like Micheal MacLiammoir's. More important, he sounds very like Wilde ("All Irish artists have to come to England to work: that is their tragedy. No English writers ever leave England to work: that is theirs.") As for that famous handbag, Callow-Wilde says that any other writer's mention of this ladies' accessory would be proof of intent to plagiarise. However, the real Oscar would probably have given a wittier reason to *be grateful for not living in the* 1990s than that he would not have looked good sporting a denim suit and droopy moustache
**8.45 In Touch** launches a national Braille-reading competition.
**9.15 Kaleidoscope** (r) (s)
**9.45 The Financial World Tonight** (s) **9.59** Weather
**10.00 The World Tonight,** with Alexander MacLeod (s)
**10.45 A Book at Bedtime:** The Doctor's Family, by Margaret Oliphant. Abridged and read by Morag Hood (7/10)
**11.00 Stanza on Stage:** Andrew McAllister introduces "Biting the Hand", a selection of satirical poetry (s)
**11.30 SOS:** Matthew Parris talks to photo-journalist Mohamed Amin (r)
**12.00-12.43am News,** incl **12.27** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

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## RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW. **4.00am** Bruno Brookes with *The Early Breakfast Show (FM only)* **6.00** Simon Mayo **9.00** Simon Bates **12.30pm** Newsbeat **12.45** Jakki Brambles **3.00** Steve Wright in the Afternoon **6.00** Mark Goodier's Mega Hits **6.30** News '93 **7.00** Mark Goodier's Evening Session **9.00** The Record Producers: Don Was (r) **10.00** Nicky Campbell **12.00-4.00am** Bob Harris (FM only)

## RADIO 2

FM Stereo. **5.00am** Sarah Kennedy with The Early Show **6.15** Pause for Thought **7.00** Wake Up to Wogan **9.15** Pause for Thought **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.30** Jimmy Young **2.00pm** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Ed Stewart **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** An Actor's Life for Me: Comedy starring John Gordon Sinclair **7.30** Hayes Over Britain: Renewing the Licence. Listeners can offer their views on the BBC. Ring Brian Hayes on 071-308 0222 from 6pm **9.00** Songmakers at the Mayfair **10.00** Such Sweet Harmony (r) **10.30** *The Jamesons* **12.05am** *Jazz Parade* **12.35** *Steve Madden* **3.00-5.00am** *Alex Lester*

## RADIO 5

News and sport on the hour until **7.00pm.** **6.00am** World Service: World News; **6.09** News About Britain; **6.15** The World Today **6.30** Danny Baker's Morning Edition **9.30** Johnnie Walker with The AM Alternative **11.30** Work It Out: Liz Barclay on redundancy **12.30pm** A Century Remembered: A Land Fit for Heroes (r) **1.10** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 **1.25** BFBS Worldwide **2.30** A Game of Two Halves with John Inverdale and Frances Edmonds **4.30** Five Aside **7.15** The Island of Adventure, by Enid Blyton. Read by Peter Jeffrey (2/10) **7.30** Football Plus **10.10** Earshot, incl **11.00** Sport **12.00-12.10am** News: Sport

## WORLD SERVICE

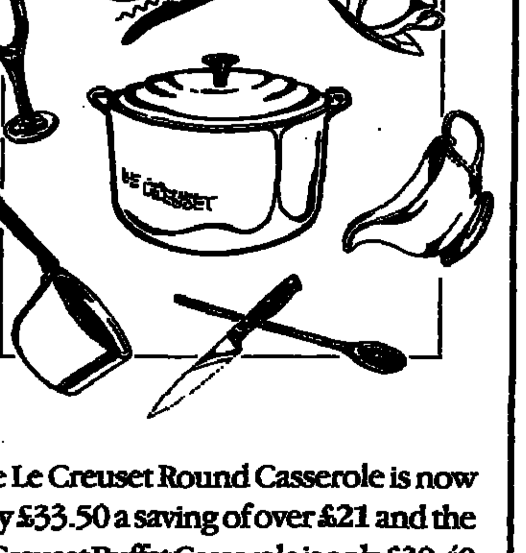
All times in GMT. **4.30am** Business Report **4.40** Travel and Weather **4.45** Programmes in German **5.30** Europa Today **5.59** Weather **6.00** News **6.14** Travel **6.15** The World Today **6.30** Programmes in French **6.59** Weather **7.00** Newsdesk **7.30** New Ideas **7.50** Whatever Happened To..? **8.00** News **8.10** Words of Faith **8.15** Concert Hall **9.00** News **9.05** Business Report **9.15** Under Threat **9.30** Images of Britain **9.45** Sports Roundup **10.00** Discovery **10.30** Unravelling Ravel **11.00** Newsdesk **11.29** Travel **11.30** BBC English **11.45** Mittagsmagazin **11.59** Business Update **Midday** News **12.10pm** Words of Faith **12.15** Multitrack 1 **12.45** Sports Roundup **1.00** Newshour **2.00** News **2.05** Outlook **2.30** Off the Shelf: Titus Groan **2.45** Musical Mavericks **3.00** News **3.15** A Jolly Good Show **4.00** News **4.15** BBC English **4.29** News in French **4.30** Programmes in German **5.00** News and Business Report **5.14** Travel **5.15** BBC English **5.30** Programmes in French **6.00** Newsdesk **6.30** Programmes in German **8.00** News **8.10** The World Today **8.25** Words of Faith **8.30** Europe Tonight **9.00** Newshour **10.00** News **10.15** Megamix **10.45** Sports Roundup *11.00 News 11.05 Business Report 11.15 Concert Hall* **Midnight** Newsdesk **12.30am** Omnibus **1.00** News **1.05** Outlook **1.30** Poems by Post **1.45** Country Style **2.00** Newsdesk **2.30** Development '93 **3.00** News **3.15** Sports Roundup **3.30** Discovery **4.00** News **4.15** Images of Britain

## CLASSIC FM

**6.00am** Nick Bailey **9.00** Henry Kelly **12.00** Susannah Simons **2.00pm** Lunchtime Concerto: Fiorillo (Violin Concerto No 1 in F); Mozart (Serenade in E flat) **3.00** Petroc Trelawny **5.00** Classic Reports with Margaret Howard **7.00** Classic Opera Guide with Hugh MacPherson **8.00** Classic FM Concert: Orchestra National de France under Maazel. Programme includes Tchaikovsky (Fantasy Overture, Romeo and Juliet); Holst (The Planets) **10.00** Adrian Love **1.00-6.00am** André Leon

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### Allison dismisses Aston Villa's suggestion of a venue switch for FA Cup tie

# Bristol Rovers reject replay offer

By Chris Moore

MARC ASPLAND



Head start: McGrath, of Aston Villa, takes charge of the aerial struggle during the 1-1 draw with Bristol Rovers on Saturday

THE verbal jousting that characterised the build-up to Aston Villa's FA Cup third-round tie with Bristol Rovers last weekend began again in earnest yesterday. With a replay due on January 13 at Twerton Park after the clubs' 1-1 draw, Villa, cheekily, offered to stage the replay at Villa Park instead of Rovers' much smaller Twerton Park stadium in Bath. Not surprisingly, the first division club indignantly dismissed the offer almost as soon as it had been made.

"The tie has obviously captured the imagination of a lot of people and we felt that by taking the replay back to Twerton Park, with its limited capacity, would leave 20,000 fans disappointed at not being able to see the game," Steve Stride, the Villa secretary, said. "It would also have been financially rewarding for Rovers."

It would, of course, have given Villa the home advantage they enjoyed for the first game in the replay as well, a fact that was not lost on Malcolm Allison, Rovers' new chief coach and acting manager. "Villa are clutching at straws because they know we are going to dump them out of the Cup next week," he said.

"These occasions are what cup football is all about. The big teams have to fight for survival and you can take it from me we will make Villa fight every inch of the way.

"In any case, we are not in the red and don't need the extra money, and any loss of income will be made up anyway because we have a plum tie waiting for us in the fourth round when we get through." If Rovers do win the replay they will be at home in the fourth round to either Wimbledon or Everton, who shared a goalless draw at Selhurst Park on Saturday.

"We also have to consider our supporters," Allison went on. "Over 4,500 of them made the trip to Villa Park and it would be unfair to expect them to incur the same expense again."

Geoff Dunford, the vice-chairman, supported Allison's stance: "Football is not about money," he said. "It's all about experience and memories, and the memory of seeing Aston Villa at Twerton Park will outweigh the financial aspect. We know we could have had another 27,000 gate at Villa Park. But we will be quite happy with a full house at home."

Allison had grabbed all the weekend headlines after Rovers' draw at Villa Park for continuing his mischievous comments towards Ron Atkinson, Villa's similarly gregarious manager. After pouring scorn on Atkinson and his players in the build-up to the tie, Allison was cold shouldered by his opposite number on Saturday.

Last night, Allison was unrepentant. "I thought it would be quite amusing to have a dig at him," he said. "He has criticised enough people in his time, and I am suprised he has not been big enough to take it. I'm certainly not bothered about the way he has reacted. It's a game of moods and opinions and we all have to live with it, but it was only a football match. It's a pity he couldn't accept it in the right way."

Atkinson, however, refused to join the verbal battle. "I am not getting involved whatsoever," he said. "It was a good cup-tie on Saturday, but no-one seems to be interested in what happened on the pitch. Dean Saunders missed what was probably the easiest chance of his career as well as having a penalty saved and we've left ourselves with a difficult replay which will test our bottle. But it's gone out of the window for the rest of the week because all our thoughts at the moment are concentrated on Saturday's Premier League game with Liverpool at Anfield."

☐ Jason Cundy, the Tottenham Hotspur central defender, will enter hospital today for an exploratory knee operation. Cundy saw specialists at the Princess Grace Hopsital in London's West End yesterday and it was decided that he needed keyhole surgery to examine the problem further.

Cundy said: "They think it is cartilage damage but are not sure, which is why they want to look inside the knee. I have been having trouble with my knee for the past month, since it went in the game against Chelsea in December. I hope to be back as soon as possible."

Cundy, 23, has struggled to get into the Tottenham side since his £750,000 transfer from Chelsea in the summer.

Fourth round

Nottingham Forest v Middlesbrough or Chelsea
Manchester Utd or Bury v Brighton
Leicester or Barnsley v West Ham Utd
Cambridge Utd or Sheffield Wednesday v Notts County or Sunderland
QPR or Swindon v Manchester City or Reading
Sheffield Utd or Burnley v Hartlepool
Norwich or Coventry v Tottenham
Northampton or Rotherham v Newcastle
Arsenal v Leeds or Charlton
Luton or Bristol City v Derby
Oldham or Tranmere v Ipswich or Plymouth
Crewe or Marine v Blackburn
Swansea or Oxford v Grimsby
Aston Villa or Bristol Rovers v Wimbledon or Everton
Gillingham or Huddersfield v Southend or Millwall
Wolverhampton Wanderers v Bolton or Liverpool

Ties to be played weekend of January 23.

THIRD ROUND: Rearranged ties: Today: Manchester United v Bury. January 12: Cambridge v Sheffield Wed; Crewe v Marine; Northampton v Rotherham; Notts Co v Sunderland. January 13: Ipswich v Plymouth; Leicester v Barnsley; Luton v Bristol City; Norwich v Coventry; Southend v Millwall. Replays: January 12: Burnley v Sheffield Utd; Everton v Wimbledon; Oxford v Swansea (7.45); Tranmere v Oldham (7.45). January 13: Bristol Rovers v Aston Villa (8.0); Charlton v Leeds (7.45); Huddersfield v Gillingham; Reading v Manchester City (7.45).

# Tough-tackling de Glanville shakes Carling

From a Special Correspondent in Lanzarote

WILL Carling, England's rugby captain, was badly shaken after suffering a heavy tackle during England's final match practice at Club La Santa here yesterday. He was laid out for nearly four minutes after a crunching collision with Philip De Glanville, the Bath centre.

"Will was shaken up and a bit winded but I'm sure he'll be okay," Dick Best, the England coach, said. "It was a hard tackle, no doubt about it."

After being treated on and off the pitch Carling took no further part in the match in which there was another injury scare when Ian Hunter, the Northampton wing, jarred his knee.

England, who return home today after their five-day trip, play their first championship match against France at Twickenham on Saturday week. "You have to expect players to take knocks because we try to make our match practises as realistic as possible." Geoff Cooke, the manager, said. "There's always an element of risk when players go at it physically, but fortunately we have not had many serious problems this time."

Two years ago, on a similar warm weather training trip to La Santa, England lost three players, John Hall, Brian Moore and Paul Rendall through injury, Hall missing nearly two years of rugby because of a badly damaged knee.

Carling who had not played any competitive rugby for nearly a month until he joined the England squad, was still shaken when he left the playing area but he had recovered sufficiently to accept an invitation from two spectators to pose for a photographer with them.

Wales will take over from England at the Club La Santa training camp in Lanzarote today and will have them very much in mind over the next week.

Robert Norster, the team manager, has promised his 28-strong squad a week of hard work, and an in-depth study of the double Grand Slam champions. Wales open their five nations campaign against England in Cardiff on February 6 and will be seeking their first victory over them since 1989, when Norster was in the side.

"This training week is very much geared to getting the players ready for the game against England," Norster said. "We want to use the time to develop our unit skills and team understanding."

One player who will not be making the trip after all is Llanelli centre Nigel Davies, who strained a hamstring in his club's defeat at Bridgend last weekend. He has not been replaced. The work for the remainder of the squad began before they left Cardiff. Rosie Mayes, a physiology-testing expert did not waste any time in checking the players fat levels, and tomorrow she will put them through their paces.

Ian Hunter top scored in the English camp on the 25 metre shuttle run test, which gauges oxygen uptake, and his 16.1 result has given the Welsh players an immediate target. No Welshman has topped 15, but Norster believes the fitness levels have improved enough for a number to challenge.

# Americans felled by the power of Forget

Perth: Guy Forget celebrated his 28th birthday by leading France to victory over the United States and into the semi-finals of the Hopman Cup.

Forget kept France in the tie with a surprisingly easy straight sets win over MaliVai Washington after Nathalie Tauziat had lost to Mary Joe Fernandez in the opening match. Then he took charge in the mixed doubles with Tauziat to steer the fifth-seeded French to a 6-3, 6-2 victory and a match against Germany or Ukraine.

Spain, the third seeds, also reached the semi-finals by avenging last year's defeat by Switzerland, the eventual champions.

The Spanish pair, Emilio Sánchez and his younger sister, Arantxa Sánchez Vicario, found unexpected resistance from the eighth seeds who had been weakened by the late withdrawal of Jakob Hlasek, their best man.

Emilio Sánchez, wrapped up the match 2-0, beating Claudio Mezzadri, but both he and his sister, the world No. 4, were stretched to three sets after dropping the first.

Sánchez, ranked 77 places above Mezzadri, was two points away from losing his match at 5-4 down in the final set on his own service before pulling back to 6-6 and taking a the tie-break 7-5.

Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere also looked likely to spring an upset when she raced through the first set 6-1 against Sánchez Vicario in only 27 minutes in the opening women's singles.

But Sánchez Vicario shook off the cobwebs, found her rhythm and relentlessly ran her opponent off the court, winning the last two sets 6-0, 6-3.

The turning point came in a marathon third game of the second set when Sánchez Vicario saved two break points on her own service before winning it on her own fourth game point. *(Reuter)*

# Whittingham content to bide his time

PORTSMOUTH have offered Guy Whittingham, English football's leading scorer with 29 goals, a new long-term contract in an attempt to stop him moving to a Premier League club.

Nottingham Forest, Blackburn Rovers, Sheffield United and Chelsea have all watched Whittingham, a former soldier, whose agreement with Portsmouth ends this summer.

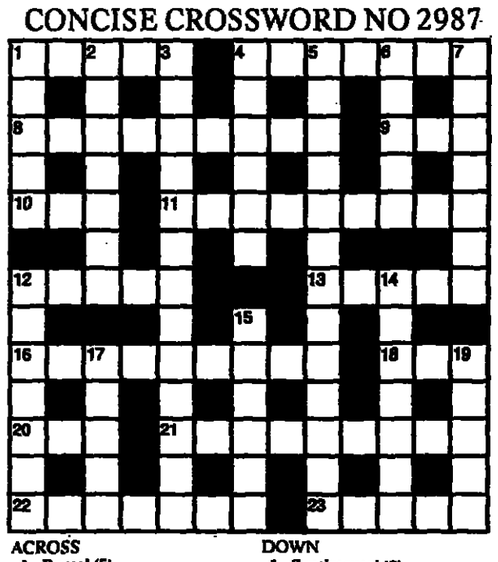
Whittingham, 28, says he is in no hurry to decide his future. "We have made him a very good offer," Jim Smith, the Portsmouth manager said. "We are keen to keep him at Fratton Park, but he has got himself an agent now and we have heard nothing from them. I understand he wants to try his luck at the top level, but there is no reason why he cannot do so as a Portsmouth player."

Whittingham said yesterday: "I have never made any secret of wanting to play against the best in the country and I am also aware I am not at the start of my career. I would love to get to the Premier League with Portsmouth and I'm prepared to wait to see what happens between now and the end of the season."

☐ The Northern Ireland manager, Billy Bingham, is to become a non-executive director of Blackpool, who are in the second division. The former Everton manager who has lived in nearby Southport for 30 years, said: "I have had a sentimental attachment to Blackpool ever since I played there in for the Irish League in 1951.

"At that time I was very close to many of their great names, including Stan Mortensen and Stanley Matthews. If the new stadium development goes ahead I believe Blackpool can be great again, and I'd like to be part of it."

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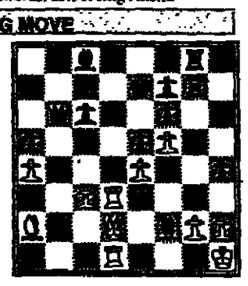
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## WINNING MOVE

*By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent*



This position is a possible finish from the game Short—Kamsky, Tilburg 1991. White has given up a piece, but has a powerful lineup on the d-file. How does he make the most of this?

On January 10, Nigel Short's Candidate's Final match against Jan Timman starts in El Escorial, near Madrid. Watch out for daily reports in *The Times*.

*Solution on page 36*

## WORD-WATCHING

By PHILIP HOWARD

**POTSY**
a. Lunatic, deranged
b. A childrens' singing game
c. A policeman's badge

**WANDEROBO**
a. A nomadic tribe
b. A dressing-gown
c. A pink silicate manganese

**SORBIAN**
a. A Slavonic language
b. Absorbent
c. An early Christian heretic

**AMORCE**
a. Lack of remorse
b. Cap for a toy pistol
c. Legal confiscation

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# Craven's death creates S Africa power vacuum

**David Hands** assesses the contribution made to rugby by one of the sport's leading figures

THE death in Stellenbosch yesterday of Danie Craven, South Africa's grand old man of rugby union, emphasises the power vacuum that now exists within the sport in that country — at a time when leadership was never more necessary.

Indeed, the challenge facing South Africa is one in which a young Craven, pugnacious and perceptive would have revelled. Now, the recently-unified governing body must not only prove itself capable of establishing a far-reaching development programme, but of planning for the 1995 World Cup.

Craven, 82, died of a heart attack at his home yesterday morning but his health over the last four years had been failing. Twice he required major heart surgery and his last overseas trip, to Bordeaux in October to see the opening match of the South African tour to France, was an exertion which caused him to miss the England-South Africa game at Twickenham on November 14 — the match by which, he always confessed, he would know that his country was truly back in the world rugby fold after the years of sporting isolation caused by apartheid.

Now he is gone after 36 years of leadership, first as president of the South African Rugby Board, and, since February last year, as joint president, with Ebrahim Patel, of the Unified South African Rugby Union, a void exists. Although political manoeuvering in South African rugby has long existed, Craven always offered a fall-back position such was the respect in which he was held.

Patel, president of the former South African Rugby Union, remains as sole president under the new constitution which brought together equal elements from his own union and the South African Rugby Board under the new banner. That situation will last until February next year, when democratic elections for office will be held.

The SARFU management committee will meet on Saturday to determined whether a successor to Craven is required or whether to leave the situation until next year's elections. That would give Patel the chance to establish a broader sporting power base from which to sustain his office but, if a co-president is required, there is no obvious contender.



Craven: an adept sports politician

Craven, as adept a sporting politician as he was in 16 internationals for South Africa during the 1930s as scrum half, stand-off half, or centre, fought off all attempts to unseat him and, in the process, various potential rivals were discredited. The most ambitious, combative and wealthy possibility remains Louis Luyt, from the Transvaal and whose playing of the South African national anthem before the international against New Zealand at Ellis Park last August provoked a political storm.

Whatever decision South Africa reaches is important not only domestically but in world terms: the Rugby World Cup directors arrive in Cape Town later this month to discuss the 1995 tournament and they need to be assured that South Africa has not only political stability but the sporting unity and strength of purpose to drive the World Cup machine, while offering convincing proof that their development programme for players of all races is taking effect.

Tributes poured in from all over the world. There was a minute's silence during the fourth cricket Test at Newlands (also the headquarters of South African rugby) between South Africa and India and Ali Bacher, managing director of the South Africa United Cricket Board, said: "He was the first South African sports official to risk going to Harare" — a reference to Craven's visit in 1988 to meet the (then) banned African National Congress.

"He opened the door and showed the rest of us the way," Bacher added. "He was a man of great courage and initiative and the rest of us are reaping the benefits of what he started." Steve Tshwete, the ANC sports spokesman, described him as a great visionary and an outstanding administrator.

Albert Ferrasse, president of the French federation for 23 years until 1991, said: "Danie did more against racism than any politician. I'm afraid the SARFU may never recover from the loss because behind Danie were a lot of ambitious people. He was the only one capable of taming them."

Danie Serfontein, the South African-born president of the Rugby Football Union, said: "I don't think there is anyone big enough to fill his boots. I don't think South Africa has prepared for this day. He was ahead of his time on the apartheid laws. He had young boys, black, white, yellow, playing in his Craven Week and he got into terrific trouble. But he was a man who made his own decisions."

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